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Getting crafty

LIBRARY staff are hoping they give youngsters the creative bug with a series of new activity sessions.

Heath Hayes Library, in Hednesford Road, hosts its first Crafty Bug class today (Thursday). Sessions are aimed at two-to-five year olds and will run every Thursday during term time.

They will last for 45 minutes and include a story and a related craft activity.

At the end of the class children can choose which library book they'd like to take home with them.

The first session runs from 2.15-3pm and booking as advised as places are limited. Call the library on 01543 279675.

Lydia Pearce promotes a new range of children's activities at Heath Hayes Library

Praise is heaped on town's leisure centre

by TIM SPIERS

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RUGELEY Leisure Centre has reaffirmed its status as one of the best in the country after customers handed out near-perfect scores in a recent survey.

Just three weeks ago the Burnthill Lane facility was ranked joint-fifth out of 900 leisure centres in the UK following an independent assessment.

And now an in-house survey from users of the leisure centre has given staff more cause for celebration.

Hundreds of customers completed a questionnaire and 99 per cent of them said they were very or fairly satisfied with their overall visit.

Helpfulness of staff' yielded another high mark with 94 per cent saying they were very or fairly satisfied. Cannock Chase Council's culture and sport leader, Councillor Mick Grocott, heaped praise on the leisure centre and said a refurbishment in 2008 helped create a "brilliant" facility.

"It is fantastic news for Rugeley Leisure Centre to be ranked as one of the best in the country," Councillor Grocott added.

"I said at the time that the assessors looked beyond bricks and mortar and the fantastic facilities to things like customer service and value for money.

The results of the customer survey really back this up."

Other findings included 89 per cent of respondents being very or fairly satisfied with cleanliness, an increase of 10 per cent from their last survey.

The leisure centre's revamp in 2008 saw a new swimming pool and fitness suite installed.

Their recent independent appraisal, undertaken by national assessor Quest, saw 20 elements of the facility raked over, including customer care, community initiatives and building presentation.

It also consisted of mystery visits and a two-day on-site assessment, all resulting in a score of 90 per cent.

CCTV QUESTIONED AFTER JEWEL RAID

by SARAH HAZELWOOD

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A FORMER CCTV operative has questioned security measures in Cannock following a £25,000 heist at a jewellery store in the town.

Thieves ransacked Chatwin Jewellers, in Market Hall Street, after forcing the roller shutters and breaking the front door, at around 3.40am on December 30.

Alarms were set off but once inside the raiders smashed glass cabinets and stole in excess of £25,000 worth of gold and silver items from the shop, on the ground floor of the centre.

CCTV footage being examined by police, has shown three offenders, dressed in dark clothing, heading towards Beecroft Road car park before breaking into the store. But the lack of lighting in the area makes the footage too dark to identify any of the suspects.

Shop owner Michael Chatwin said the incident may not have happened if there was adequate lighting in the town centre at night and is shocked that the night security staff did not act quicker.

He said: "It is no use having security cameras without the appropriate lighting. No matter how grainy the CCTV image maybe it was still apparent that there were three figures hanging around.

"My query is why weren't the staff on duty quicker to question the suspects when they appeared on the cameras and why was nothing done to stop this from happening?

"There are just so many flaws, I can't be coping with another incident like this. The security is abysmal and I cannot express how disgusted I am with what has happened. I don't want any of my fellow traders to go through what we have been through so until improvements are made we will ensure to take the necessary steps protect ourselves as best we can."

Flashback to the raid at Chatwins on December 30

The town centre management work alongside the main security operations room, based in Cannock, until the premises are closed at 6.30pm. From this point full responsibility is handed over to the night staff, employed by the council, to monitor the cameras throughout the early hours.

The council took over full control of the patch when the previous company, Firewalker Security closed down in 2005. Former Firewalker employee Thomas Galloway, of Ascot Drive, who left the firm in 1999, due to ill health, said: "We used to monitor all round the shopping centre and Cannock town during the night time and I know where the cameras are.

"It makes me so angry to know that things like this are still happening there is clearly something not right here.

"I don't understand why the controllers on the night shift are failing to catch the thieves and why it has since taken the police to view the footage to identify the three suspicious figures.

"It sounds to me like the controllers on duty that night were asleep because how else could they have missed this?

"Being the manager of the night shift I made sure that we were always controlling the cameras to provide coverage for all possible areas, and if they were doing the same then the police would have been there within minutes and the thieves would have been caught.

"It is the controller's job to pick up and act upon any strange behaviour, but in my opinion whoever was on duty that night clearly wasn't doing the job that they were being paid to do."

Natal Chapman, Cannock Shopping Centre manager, said: "We are currently looking at the options regarding the situation of lighting in the area, but we have to keep in mind the issues of anti social behaviour that we have experienced in the past. There are cameras all around the shopping centre, which are monitored by us and the council, but it might be helpful to have more."

Cannock Chase Council, which monitors all CCTV footage, works closely with neighbourhood policing units to cut back on crime.

A council spokesman said: "Detectives from Cannock CID are viewing CCTV footage. The intention of the town CCTV system in Cannock is to deter anti-social behaviour and prevent crime, providing a safer environment for the benefit of the whole community.

Anyone with any information is asked to contact DC Sean Corbett at Cannock CID on 0300 123 4455, or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

Scholars march on to last 16

CHASETOWN are down to the last 16 of the FA Trophy after upsetting the odds once more in the FA Trophy.

Charlie Blakemore's side overcame Blue Square Premier side Grimsby Town, a Football League outfit for 99 years until last summer, thanks to two quickfire goals at the start of the second half.

Cheered on by a crowd of more than 1,000 at the Scholars Ground, Chasetown conceded with 11 minutes to go but held on for yet another famous victory.

Grimsby became Chasetown's second Blue Square Premier scalp after beating Kettering in the previous round.

Joyous scenes at full time confirmed the game would be ranked alongside memorable FA Cup victories over Oldham and Port Vale.

Blakemore, was full of praise for his part-time players, who travel to Hampshire-based Blue Square South side Eastleigh in the third round on Saturday February 2.

"It's a dream come true to beat a team of the stature of Grimsby Town," he said.

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Bus axe firm blames cut in grant help

A BUS company which intends to axe a vital service linking Cannock to Wolverhampton has said its hand was forced by the Government's spending review.

Arriva, which runs the 68 and 69 services from Cannock to Wolverhampton, via Essington, has given notice that it intends to end the service on February 26.

Keith Myatt, a spokesman for Arriva, said the company's share of government money will likely be reduced by £3 million this year.

"A spending review for the years 2011-12 through to 2014-15 was announced by the coalition government in the October 2010.

"The review was driven by a desire to reduce government spending in order to cut the budget deficit. The review will lead to an £81 billion cut in public spending in the remaining four years of the parliament, with average departmental cuts of 19 per cent.

"As part of the cut in public spending, local authorities have informed all bus operators of a reduction in concessionary fare reimbursements from April 2011.

"Arriva Midlands has estimated its share will be reduced by nearly £3 million this year.

"The company has, therefore, undertaken a comprehensive review of its network and has announced changes to several local bus services in its operating area following discussions with local authorities.

Informed

"It has operated services 68 and 69 (Cannock - Wolverhampton) since the withdrawal of similar services by another operator. However, with the reduction in concessionary fare reimbursements, it will be impossible to sustain these services commercially.

"Staffordshire County Council is aware of Arriva's decision to withdraw these services and continues in dialogue with them."

Mr Myatt added that Arriva Midlands would ensure its customers are kept informed of any changes.

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Date set for public to view earl's home

THE late Earl of Lichfield's private quarters at Shugborough Hall are to be opened to the public from March.

Visitors will have unlimited entry to society photographer Patrick Lichfield's home which includes his studio, breakfast room and master bedroom complete with antique four-poster bed.

The fifth earl, a cousin of the Queen, died in 2005 and was succeeded by his son.

Staffordshire County Council has signed the deal with the family to sub-lease the apartments on the estate near Rugeley. The tour forms part of series of events being held at the tourist attraction.

Shugborough group manager Liz Carruthers said: "2011 is going to be the most exciting for years at Shugborough. As well as the grand opening of the private rooms we have a new sculpture trail, a year long wildlife exhibition and lots of new weekend activities from Treasure Days to Grow It, Cook it, Eat It weekends."

The new attractions will see the mansion house become the largest publicly accessible stately home. As staff at the estate prepare for a grand opening in March they are predicting a bumper year of Privilege Pass sales.

Key attractions for Privilege Pass holders include unlimited visits,early entry into the grounds and gardens from 10am, discounts at all on-site retails and food outlets, and newsletterss.

To find out more visit the **www.shugboroughrevisited.com** website.

Shugborough Hall, ancestral home of Lord Lichfield

Dancer delight as fuel bills cut

A DANCE academy in Cannock is urging residents to turn down the heat at home and turn it up on the dance floor to help save money and get fit.

As heating costs rise, the Groove Academy is looking to provide a warm atmosphere for people to learn to dance by generating their own heat source at a smaller cost, while getting active.

Kate Beauchamp, dance teacher for Groove Academy, reviewed her own heating bills and now switches it off whenever she is out teaching.

Kate said: "When my heating was installed my thermostat was set to come on at times that I wasn't even in the house. This was no use to me so I changed it for it to only be on when I am at home.

"At the dance classes you warm up within minutes as we start to get moving.

"In no time we are taking layers off as we generate our own body heat through exercise."

Dance styles taught include salsa, rock 'n' roll, and Argentine tango.

To find out more about the classes at St Mary's Hall, Hall Court Lane, visit **www.grooveacademy.co.uk** or call 07984 419653.

MP praises pupils on trafficking campaign

by TIM SPIERS
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SCHOOL pupils have had their campaign to combat human trafficking endorsed by Cannock's MP.

When learning about the global problems of people trafficking, youngsters at Cannock Chase High School were moved to launch their own petition and collected 500 signatures.

Conservative MP Aidan Burley visited the Hednesford Road school to collect the petition and pay tribute to pupils.

They started the campaign after watching video clips on human trafficking during a citizenship lesson and spoke to Mr Burley about their concerns.

The petition calls on the government to continue its action on pressing other EU governments to take a more proactive role is stopping human trafficking.

Mr Burley has forwarded the petition to Jeremy Browne MP, Minister of State at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, who has responsibility for human trafficking under his EU remit.

"I was pleased to have had the opportunity to come here today and collect this petition," Mr Burley said.

"I would like to pay particular tribute to pupil Danielle Robinson who took the lead with organising the petition. I think every Member of Parliament should take some collective responsibility to raise awareness of what is essentially modern-day slavery."

Mr Burley added: "I am happy to do whatever I can both locally and nationally to raise awareness and encourage discussion on this issue."

According to some estimates, human trafficking is the third largest illicit money-making venture in the world, after drug dealing and the arms trade.

An estimated 800,000 people a year are trafficked worldwide, 100,000 of those into and within the EU.

Cannock Chase High School teacher Mark Flint said: "After being made aware of this global injustice, I was determined to give our pupils the chance to have their say on human trafficking.

"The response from pupils was fantastic and I'm delighted that Aidan Burley could come into school and formally accept the petition."

Meanwhile Mr Burley has also sent an open invitation to all local councillors to use his MP Help Zone. He believes that opening the help zone, an informal drop-in service open Monday to Friday from 10am-4pm, to councillors will ensure it is used as effectively as possible.

"The help zone is already being used by two local councillors, b but I thought it only right to open it up to all councillors on Cannock Chase Council from all parties in order to best serve the local people," Mr Burley said.

"Having been a councillor myself, I know how important it is to build up a face-to-face relationship with the people you serve."

Groomed for occasion

On the catwalk during a bridal fair at the Prince of Wales Centre are Helen Painter, Ryan Gibbons and Helen Sturgess with Rebecca Smith, aged 12

EVERYTHING a bride-to-be could want was on view at a wedding fair in Cannock.

Almost 300 people attended the catwalk show at the Prince of Wales Centre last Sunday, January 16.

Local independent designers and companies specialising in photography, shoes, jewellery, cakes, and flowers were exhibiting.

Among them was Bev Gibbons, who has run Katie's Brides and Grooms in Heath Hayes for seven years. She said: "As far as dresses are concerned it's one-shoulder gowns this year, and lace is also very popular.

"For anyone wanting to know what's out there for 2011, the event is a great starting point as everything, from balloons to cars to make-up is covered. The other advantage is that it showcases local firms."

More fairs are planned for Sunday, January 30 at Chase Golf Club, Pottal Pool Road, Penkridge, and on February 6 at Shugborough.

Purge on speeding in village

POLICE are stepping up speed patrols in Penkridge following complaints from villagers.

Officers say they have received a large number of calls about cars speeding along Mill Street.

The road has a 30mph speed limit and there are fears of an accident.

Motorists are being warned they could face a fine or even end up before the courts if they are caught breaking the speed limit.

Pc Kate Hardy, from Penkridge neighbourhood policing unit of Staffordshire Police, said: "We have received a number of calls from residents concerned about speeding vehicles along Mill Street."

The move comes just days after flashing 20mph speed signs were activated outside Wolgarston High School, in Cannock Road, in the village.

Bosses urged to help raise cash for Macmillan nursing

BUSINESSES in Staffordshire are being invited to take part in a fundraising challenge in aid of a charity which turns 100 this year.

Macmillan Cancer Support, which supports people affected by cancer, is celebrating its milestone by inviting 100 local businesses to raise £1,000 each throughout the year.

Janos Toth, of Macmillan, said: "Whether it's by staff holding or taking part in events, encouraging support from customers or making a donation, there are many ways to get involved.

"Some fantastic companies have signed up already. In the fundraising office we're ready with help, ideas and merchandise to support all the businesses that take part throughout 2011.

"Whether you work for a small company of five, a large company of thousands or you're a self employed free-lancer, taking part in The Staffordshire Business Challenge 2011 is something to celebrate.

"Plus, there are real business benefits to be gained from signing up. Whether looking to engage with your community, team build, gain publicity or just have fun, fundraising for Macmillan can help achieve all these goals. And you'll also be making a real difference to the lives of people affected by cancer."

Call 01785 816892 or email staffordshire@macmillan.org.uk for details.

Vein attempt

DONORS can give blood at the Memorial Community Association, in Rugeley Road, Burntwood, next Thursday, January 27, from 1.30 to 3.30pm and from 4.30 to 7.30pm. Call 0300 123 23 23 to book.

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Drop in number of road deaths

STAFFORDSHIRE Police have revealed that road deaths in the county have fallen by 60 per cent over the last decade.

According to the force, only 34 people were killed on Staffordshire roads last year compared with 87 in 2001.

A focus on changing the attitudes of dangerous drivers has been highlighted as a major factor in reducing the rate of death on the road.

Chief Inspector Vera Bloor, a member of the tactical support department, said: "A significant factor in the reduction of road deaths have been our constant focus on making the roads safer by changing the attitudes of risk-taking drivers.

"Speed enforcement is one element in reducing car accidents, drivers in Staffordshire are offered an alternative to having points on their licence by receiving speed education."

The Chief Inspector added: "Hopefully in the next 10 years we will see a continued reduction in road deaths as we continue to work towards safer roads.

"There has to be a change in driving attitudes. We have to make people realise the responsibility they have to keep themselves and others safe on the roads."

The police are urging local drivers to play their part by ensuring their vehicle is roadworthy giving special attention to tyre tread and pressure.

In December the Government announced cuts to the policing budget which mean forces across the country will be given 20 per cent less to spend by 2015.

Chief Inspector Bloor said: "I'm determined to keep the focus on policing the roads."

A talk by registrar

REGISTRAR John Yates will be the guest speaker at a meeting of the Cheslyn Hay & District Local History Society next week.

'A funny thing happened on the way to the register office . . .' is the title of the talk, which tales place at the Salem, in High Street, from 7.30pm on Thursday (January 27).

Admission is £1 including refreshments.

Seasonal jobs available at theme park

AROUND 250 seasonal jobs are up for grabs at Drayton Manor Theme Park.

The popular Tamworth site is looking to fill a range of positions, including ride operators, retail and catering workers, cleaners and ticket sales staff.

More than one million visitors head to the attraction every year, with numbers at their highest during the summer months. Bosses said they were looking for "enthusiastic" staff as they braced themselves for a busy year with the opening of two new rides.

In the summer, the park will also open the doors to its new multi-million pound 150 bedroom hotel.

A recruitment day held last year attracted more than 1,000 jobseekers vying for 300 seasonal posts. This year, bosses will not be holding a recruitment day. In 2009 bosses were forced to shut down a recruitment day five-and-a-half hours early after it was overwhelmed by more than 1,300 jobseekers.

This year, people interested in one of the posts can get an application form by calling 01827 252400 or by emailing **info@draytonmanor.co.uk**

As well as a salary, applicants will receive subsidised food and drink, training opportunities for vocational qualifications and discounts on items purchased from the park.

No experience is needed and all employees are given full training.

Rides on offer include Shockwave, G-Force and Apocalypse, while this year will see the launch of Europe's first Ben 10 themed rollercoaster .

Drayton Manor will reopen fully on March 19 until October 30.

Last years winners of the Taste of Staffordshire Master Chef and Young Chef launch this year's competition at the Moat House, Acton Trussell; l to r: Mariappan Sethurajapillai and Jack Bull

Chasewater scheme progressing well, says council

Repair works at dam are 'still on schedule'

COUNCIL bosses say that repair work at Chasewater is still on schedule despite fears that the cold winter weather might cause major delays.

Councillor Val Richards, Lichfield District Council's Cabinet member for leisure, received a revised programme of works from contractors showing details of work done in the last month.

The work at the Chasewater Dam should still be completed by the late summer at a cost of £3 million and Councillor Richards said: "Safety works to Chasewater Dam are progressing well.

"We received a revised programme of works from our contractors, Galliford Try, last week.

"This shows that, despite the weather, we're still on track for a completion date in late summer. Teams are standing by this week to complete the final phase of the fish rescue as soon as the last of the ice melts.

Strength

"The team has also been busy selecting filter material for the dam, which will help to stop the dam from eroding in the future," Councillor Richards added.

"We've also been discussing construction designs for the sheet piling at the toe of the dam, which will help to improve the structure and strength of the dam.

"We're posting updates to our blog every week, which give more details about the works on **www.lichfielddc.gov.uk/chasewaterdamblog**"

Work will limit effects of heavy rainfall and erosion. It includes replacing the bridge on Pool Road, strengthening the weir, and relining an outlet pipe.

Councillor Richards said: "To plan repairs to a dam that is more than 200 years old has taken an enormous amount of preparatory work. So, we're pleased to get to this stage."

Billions of gallons of water have been drained from the reservoir to allow work on the dam. A council report warned urgent action was needed to prevent catastrophic flooding.

Work is needed to ensure the earthworks dam,built in 1799, remains safe.

Never a cross word at care home

ELDERLY residents at a care home near Great Wyrley have been playing one of the country's most popular board games this week – but on a much larger scale.

People living at Waters Edge Care Home, in Stafford Road, Newtown, have been testing out their word power by taking part in a giant game of Scrabble.

The residents were challenging staff to a game using a huge 6ft square board on Tuesday afternoon (January 18).

Scrabble has long been a favourite at the home but this time everyone was able to get involved thanks to the giant board.

Bosses from Alpha Care Homes, which runs Waters Edge, spotted the boards from a company called Team Scrabble at an exhibition.

The firm makes larger boards designed for team games or to make it easier for more people to take part.

Favourite

Alpha Care Homes managers thought it would be the perfect solution to the problem of making it easier for residents to follow the games.

Waters Edge activities co-ordinator Jenny Cowley said: "Our residents enjoy taking part in team games and Scrabble is an old favourite.

"With our new super-size board, everyone will be able to keep up with the action as the game unfolds.

"I am sure we will have some good-natured competitive fun between our residents and staff."

Scrabble players Nunn (aged 84), Mona Richards (93) and Dorothy Lees (79) with activity co-ordinator Jenny Cowley at the Waters Edge Care Home

Heat is on in bid to find top chefs

CHEFS in Staffordshire are being challenged to show off their culinary skills in two regional cooking competitions.

Staffordshire Masterchef and Young Chef of Tomorrow 2011 have been launched at the Moat House Hotel in Acton Trussell, with the aim of finding the county's best cooks.

The competitions, which are open to people aged 21 and over and 16-20 respectively, have been launched by a series of live cookery demonstrations, including two by last year's winners.

The Staffordshire Masterchef winner of 2010 was Mariappan Sethurajapillai, from The Mango Tree restaurant in Stonnall, while the 2010 Staffordshire Young Chef of Tomorrow, Jack Bull, who is now a sous-chef at Rosette-awarded restaurant, The Three Queens Hotel in Burton upon Trent.

Sarah Willingham, of BBC show The Restaurant, was also in attendance for the launch on Monday (January 17) as Taste of Staffordshire patron.

Applicants should submit menus for a three-course meal using seasonal Staffordshire ingredients costing no more than £20 in total. The entire meal must be prepared in less than two hours.

Six finalists will be selected for a cook-off at Stafford College on May 9. To enter and request a competition form email **jo.lloyd@staffordshire.gov.uk**

Meetings with police

VILLAGERS near Rugeley can chat to police about their concerns at four upcoming surgeries.

On February 13, officers will be at Longdon Village Hall from 10am to 11am and Hill Ridware Village Hall from 11.30am to 12.30pm.

They will also go on a walkabout starting at Londis in Rugeley Road, Armitage, from 2pm on February 17.

The last surgery will be at St Mary's Church, Colton on March 5 from 10am-11.30am.

Surgery date

COUNTY councillors John Bernard and Phil Jones will hold a drop-in surgery from 11am to midday at Hednesford Library on Saturday.

Lions stage Burns Night event

CANNOCK Lions are once again presenting their Burns Night celebration this weekend.

Featuring the Band of the Black Watch Association (Stoke), the event takes place on Sunday (January 23) at Chase Golf Club, in Pottal Pool, from 7-11pm. It follows on from a successful event last year and tickets have almost all sold out.

They are priced at £22.50, including either of tot of whisky or a glass of wine on arrival.

A traditional three-course Burns Night Supper will be served, with haggis, tatties and neeps as a starter.

All proceeds will go to Cannock Lions Club Projects.

Anyone interested in attending is asked to contact Lion Beverley Stanyer on 07764 20284.

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Illegals found hiding in lorries

TWO lorry-loads of illegal immigrants bound for Cannock Chase have been stopped from entering the country after being caught by border officials at Calais.

Nine stowaways who were being transported in lorries were sniffed out by dogs in two separate incidents at the French port.

Just days earlier, 14 illegal immigrants smashed their way out of a lorry as it travelled through Staffordshire, before fleeing into the Burntwood area.

They were all arrested and are now being deported.

In the latest finds, UK Border Agency officers at Calais found two women and a man from Eritrea hiding in a cargo of Knorr soup on Saturday.

They were on a Portuguese lorry which was being driven by a Portuguese driver.

Another group of stowaways was discovered at Calais on January 4 when dogs alerted officers to a Latvian lorry.

Eight Eritreans were found in the back of the lorry, which was being driven by a Latvian.

The drivers and haulage companies involved face a possible £2,000 fine over each stowaway if they cannot prove that they took steps to secure their vehicles.

Charity date for rockers

A STAFFORDSHIRE punk band has been signed up for a live gig in aid of the MS Society.

Waiting on Arrival will perform at Bridgtown Social Club, in Walsall Road, Cannock, on March 11.

From The Get Go are to be the headline act for the prom night and are being supported by four other bands.

Tickets cost £5 and are available by emailing the band via Facebook on **www.facebook.com/waitingonarrival or by** calling 07908 006593

Tickets will also be available from the Cannock and District branch of the MS Society and on the door on the night.

Money raised goes towards the Cannock and District branch of the MS Society.

Facebook in ferment as Chase protests top 2,000

A FACEBOOK page set up to help safeguard the future of Cannock Chase has seen membership surge past the 2,000 mark.

The "What Future for Cannock Chase Forest?" group reached 2,080 members. Members are asked to download a petition calling for action on coalition government plans to sell parts of the Chase to private investors.

Founder Mark Davis, who lives in Stoke-on-Trent but works in Hednesford, said: "We're getting a steady trickle of petitions."

His **www.savecannockchase.org.uk** has letters available in downloadable form opposing plans ready to send to Cannock MP Aidan Burley and Caroline Spelman, Secretary of State for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.

Among the messages, Dave Hackett said: "Yeah, that's it, sell off the Chase to yet another property developer that will turn beautiful natural land into an ugly block of flats. Let them reduce habitats and homes for animals. This is ridiculous.

Chris Murray said: "They can't sell Cannock Chase off. I've been walking there all of my life."

Andy Babington said: "I have very fond memories of family walks on Cannock Chase and camping there on a school trip.

Ailsa Cox said: "I grew up around Walsall and Cannock. The Chase was all the countryside there was; it isn't spectacular or famous, but it's a lovely, magical place."

Dirt found by inspectors at fast food firm

A FAST food business in Rugeley was given a one-star rating by health inspectors who found problems including dirty kitchen items and missing food safety documentation.

Bosses at Flames Takeaway, in Horsefair, were told their business was 'well below average' by officers from Cannock Chase Council.

Staff were told, after the visit on December 16, that the microwave, tin opener, and a fridge were dirty. The health inspector also said the food temperature probe needed to be disinfected.

Other fridges were not working and some pizza toppings were found at room temperature.

Manager of Flames, Bozkurt Ugur, said all of the problems had since been addressed and his staff were eagerly awaiting a reinspection.

"The inspector was due to come back and check again. We told her that everything had been addressed and done."

The council health report said: "After four hours the food must be refrigerated until it is sold, served or thrown away. The food must not be displayed again at room temperature.

"You must repair the chiller display units to ensure they are able to keep food at a 8c or below."

A food safety booklet was not found on the premises when the inspector asked to see it.

The inspection report added: "When I visited I was advised that you have completed your Safer Food Better Business safe methods section but this was not on site.

"On inspection of your recording and monitoring documentation it was clear that they were not being accurately and regularly completed, and that old sheets were being used and the date changed.

"It did not appear that the employee given the responsibility to undertake the temperature checks understood the importance of these and they had failed to identify a problem with the display chillers."

In the inspector's overview, the takeaway bosses were told they were not meeting the legal requirements.

The report concluded: "I was disappointed to see that some items from the last inspection were reoccurring."

Members of Friends of Cannock Park plant bulbs in Cannock Park

Growing enthusiasm as bulbs planted for spring

THOUSANDS of bulbs have been planted to ensure that Cannock Park explodes with colour in the spring.

Members of the Friends of Cannock Park group helped plant more than 10,000 bulbs in the Green Flag award-winning park.

The team planted wild daffodils and bluebells near Cannock Park golf course as well as crocus and scilla near the rose garden, and daffodils in the borders with Park Road.

The park was handed the prestigious Green Flag award for quality parks and open spaces in 2008, 2009 and 2010 and the council hopes it can land award number four in 2011.

Councillor Tony Williams, Cannock Chase Council environment leader, said: "Our employees and contractors work hard all the year round to make sure our parks are attractive, enjoyable places to visit.

"I'd like to thank the Friends of Cannock Park for their hard work in helping to plant bulbs. Working with community groups is a crucial part of managing our parks effectively."

Office space on offer for start-up firms

CHASE Chamber of Commerce is encouraging people who are thinking of setting up their own business to consider renting office space.

The chamber is promoting Chase Space – managed office space at the Park Plaza, Cannock – as a hassle-free way of running a new business.

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Spokesman Maxine Darrock said: "No-one wants the hassle of finding a location, sorting contracts and negotiating terms, organising office fitters, buying furniture, finding a receptionist, hiring a cleaner and arranging for IT installation and other utilities. Everything's included in the rental."

For more details, email m.darrock@chase-chamber.com or telephone 0154 349 6800

Boss told to pay £4k over caravan site

A man who ran a caravan site without a licence has been ordered to pay more than £4,000.

Jim Horton, aged 68, of Rake Hill, in Burntwood, admitted he had been running a site without a licence since 1996. It had been set up at A & J Vehicles Industrial Estate, in New Road, Burntwood.

Officers from Lichfield District Council visited in 2007 and warned that it was an offence to operate a caravan site without a licence.

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Horton was fined the maximum amount of £2,500 and must also pay costs of £2,248 and £15 victim support.

Councillor Ian Pritchard, Lichfield District Council cabinet member for housing, health and protection, said: "Handing down the maximum fine shows how seriously operating a caravan site without a licence is taken."

Tycoon alters course

A CANNOCK property firm is finalising a five-year plan to help boost the regeneration prospects of the town.

Pritchard Group, had predominantly been an investment property firm but will now carry out more development schemes across Cannock Chase.

Chief executive Fred Pritchard – who will shortly be moving to the position of chairman – said it was a natural progression for the company, which is based in Market Street, Hednesford.

Developments such as Lakeside Park and Edgemead Park, in Bridgtown, Avon Plaza in Cannock and Wellington Plaza in Rugeley are all part of the five-year plan.

Mr Pritchard said the company's skills would be focused on adding value to the developments and the community, rather than the investment property scene.

"Pritchards, the same as every other company, have made their organisation a leaner operation, so it fits the job in hand, and additional skills if needs be will be resourced as required locally and if necessary nationally. With the fighting spirit of Cannock Chase and the country, business opportunities and the work ethic will prevail and Pritchards will provide premises for them."

The firm will also re-examine their office space and workspace portfolio to ensure people who want to create their own business can do so easily and quickly.

A new chief executive will be appointed shortly when Mr Pritchard becomes chairman.

"This appointment will add further experience and strength to the company and the CEO will bring a wealth of new expertise," he added.

Newlife lines up bands for gig

TOP musical talents in the West Midlands will be joining forces to raise funds for a Cannock-based charity.

Wolverhampton's Scott Matthews, Steve Gibbons, from Birmingham, Ian Parker, from Stourbridge and Midlands-based Lucy and the Rambler will all feature at the Up Close and Acoustic event in aid of the Newlife Foundation.

Up Close and Acoustic will be on February 17 at The Robin 2, in Bilston, Wolverhampton, at 7pm.

Tickets at £15 are available from aparker@newlifecharity.co.uk or 01543 462777.

The charity raises money for disabled children and is based in Hemlock Way, Hawks Green

Wolverhampton born Matthews has toured with Foo Fighters, Snow Patrol, Tori Amos and Robert Plant.

Gibbons led The Uglies during the 1960s before forming the five piece Steve Gibbons Band in the early 1970s.

Ian Parker signed a record contract with German independent label Ruf Records in July 2003, while folk group Lucy and The Rambler is made up of cousins Lucy May Gill and Danny J Gauden.

Library sells off volumes

BOOK fans can bag a bargain at Cheslyn Hay Library next week at a sale of surplus stock.

Members of the public are welcome to pop along to Cheslyn Hay Library from 9am on Saturday, January 29, as the sale gets under way.

A wide range of stock from libraries across South Staffordshire will be on sale.

Councillor Kath Perry, said: "These sales always prove really popular Library staff hope that everyone will come along to pick up a bargain."

Among the selection on offer at the library in High Street will be adult fiction and non-fiction books, children's books, talking books, DVDs and CDs.

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Refusal call on waste scheme

OPPOSITION is growing over controversial plans to build an incinerator at the Poplars landfill site.

South Staffs District Council has now objected to Biffa's plans to build a waste-fired power plant at the Lichfield Road site in Cannock.

Featherstone and Shareshill councillor Robert Cope said the council were asked to give their views at a Regulatory Committee meeting last week.

He said: "We were consulted as an authority on our thoughts for the incinerator. We feel it should be refused. There is already an overaccumulation of incinerator facilities in the area."

Cannock Chase Council leader Councillor Neil Stanley suggested three-quarters of the landfill site should be returned to green open space, as a condition of the incinerator being allowed.

Residential waste would be burned to produce electricity and supply heat to businesses and homes.

Councillor Stanley warned it was likely the bid would be approved.

Show in spotlight

A YOUTH theatre company will be lifting the curtain on its spine-chilling winter show.

Spotlight Youth Productions has many members from the Cannock and Cheslyn Hay areas.

It will host Creepy Hollow at Brownhills Community School, in Deakin Avenue, from Thursday 27 to Saturday 29 January at 7.30pm each night, with a matinee on the Saturday at 2.30pm.

The cast of eight-to-18-year-olds will perform the all singing, all dancing production.

Tickets are priced at £8 and £6 but there is limited availability for the Friday and Saturday shows.

For tickets contact 07528 456031 or email **tickets@spotlite.co.uk**

Publicity deal

A CANNOCK marketing company is looking for a charity or voluntary group to benefit from a free publicity campaign. Word Association plans to donate £10,000 worth of consultancy work.

David Burke, Phyllis Slater, Colin Slater and Freddie Thirsk

Dancing duo rewarded for 50 years of taking to floor

A FOLK dancing duo have been awarded honorary membership at their club after gracing the dance floor for more than 50 years.

Colin and Phyllis Slater, of Burntwood, have been members of Lichfield Folk Dance Society since it was founded back in 1952.

Hot-footing into role of club chairman within a matter of months, Colin, who is now 84, said it was with thanks to his wife that he first got into dancing.

When the club first began the couple were just two of 16 members, a shy sum compared to the 90 dancers it attracts today.

Some 58 years on, Colin said: "It was a wonderful surprise to be presented with our awards and it's an absolute honour to think that we have been remembered in this way.

"We don't get to dance as much these days because our age is getting in the way a bit now but we hope to be able to keep attending the society for many more years to come. We will always love dancing and do it for as long as we are physically able."

At the folk clubs' Christmas celebrations, current chairman, Freddie Thirsk, presented Colin and Phyllis with a framed certificate in recognition of their long-standing service.

Mr Thirsk, who has been chairman for four years, said: "We wanted to give them something to recognise their service to the club over so many years.

"Both Colin and Phyllis attend the society as often as they can and it is great to see them with new members offering advice and guidance. Everybody at the society is pleased to have been able to honour them with this special membership."

Previous chairman David Burke also paid tribute to the dancing duo

Now one of the strongest folk dance societies in the country the club meets every Monday evening, from 8 to 10.15 pm, in Bader Hall, King Edward's School, Lichfield.

Moat Hall's pupils join press gang

AMBITIOUS pupils from a Great Wyrley school are set to make the front page as they press on with plans to produce a European newspaper.

Moat Hall Primary School, of Johns Lane, was joined by Carol Garrington, the marketing director of Passionate Media in Bridgtown, and former Express & Star chief reporter Helen Moffat.

The special guests spent an afternoon with the youngsters and helped them get to grips with the various roles within a newsroom, as well as offering advice on where to find the best stories.

The project involves working with pupils in a number of schools around Europe to create their own newspaper and receives funding from the British Council.

Moat Hall students will find and write stories about the school and the wider community, as well as editing the environmental section of the newspaper before translating all their work into French.

Mrs Moffat said: "The enthusiasm shown by the children was wonderful, and we were impressed with how knowledgeable a lot of them already were about newspapers.

"Even the youngest ones had a pretty good understanding of the types of stories they want to write for the paper, and how they are going to work together to do this."

Teachers from participating schools met in Germany in December to begin the task of organising the newspaper, which has to be ready for editing in April.

Moat Hall head Patricia McSorley said the children had thoroughly enjoyed learning more about journalism, and couldn't wait to get started on the project.

She said: "They are going to produce their own class newspapers to begin with, which should be good practice for the European project.

"They got straight to work, deciding what roles everyone was going to play and the talk has got them even more excited about writing news stories."

Plea to find dog walker

DOG lovers across Cannock are being urged to embark upon a national scheme to help elderly pet owners care for their companions.

The project is supported by The Cinnamon Trust, the only specialist national charity for terminally ill and elderly people, who struggle to look after their much loved pets.

One Cannock canine is hoping a kind-hearted volunteer will donate some of their spare time to take him out for a walk, as his owner is now unable to leave the house.

Providing a network of 15,000 volunteers across the UK, the charity, which provides vital loving care for pets is running short of helpers in and around the Chase area.

Anything from walking a dog every day, dropping by to feed and clean the animals to fostering pets when their owners are unwell will all help make life easier.

To find out more contact Meredith on, 01736 758707 or via email at **volunteer@cinnamon.org.uk**

Woman in car cut free

A WOMAN in her 20s was trapped in her Renault Clio after hitting a tree near Beau Desert Golf Club on Sunday night (January 16).

Firefighters cut her free from the car at 7.30pm. Her injuries were not serious.

Closure fears over village youth club

A POPULAR Cannock youth club could be forced to shut permanently just 15 months after it was launched.

Heath Hayes Youth Club, which attracts up to 50 youngsters each week, closed before Christmas after two paid workers left and were not replaced. Now the county council, is to transfer them to another youth club.

The Heath Hayes group was launched in September 2009 following years of complaints from local youths and councillors that there was nothing for 11-to-16-year-olds to do in the area.

The club met on Thursdays with the help of five paid workers, two from Heath Hayes and Wimblebury parish council, one provided by the Cannock district authority and two from Staffordshire County Council, one of whom attended only every other week.

However the district council withdrew funding in January last year and the club was forced to depend more and more on the help of volunteers.

The support workers employed by the parish – former street wardens – left in October and December due to other work commitments.

Parish council clerk Ray Smythe said they had now been told that the project workers provided by the county were being moved to another club in March.

He said: "For security reasons, we cannot depend on volunteers to run a club which is mainly attended by 14-to-16-year-olds, grateful as we are for their help.

"The running of the club is expensive, costing about £20,000 a year, and that money could possibly be better spent supporting other youth facilities nearby.

"The running of clubs is their area of expertise, not ours. We are still in talks about what to do next but there are four or five other clubs within the local area that young people could go to instead, with the parish council maybe funding days out."

County Councillor Ben Adams, cabinet member for communities and culture, said the parish council took the decision to close the club.

Director of Art Fund in Hoard talk

THE director of the Art Fund is to meet fundraisers who helped save the Staffordshire Hoard next week.

Dr Stephen Deuchar is on a regional tour to meet the charity's network of fundraisers and to start the debate 'What is British Art?'

He will be giving a lecture at 6.30pm on Monday, January 24 in the Oak Room at the County Buildings in Stafford. Guests will also be able to find out more about the charity's future plans.

The Art Fund led the campaign to save The Staffordshire Hoard by successfully raising £3.3 million in 13 weeks. The campaign ensured that the haul of Anglo-Saxon treasure, discovered in a field near Burntwood, was retained in the region.

It is now displayed between The Potteries Museum and Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery.

Sue Taylor, Art Fund Representative for Staffordshire said: "This is a very special evening for the Staffordshire branch of The Art Fund."

Lecture tickets cost £12 including refreshments. Call 01538 308149 or e-mail **sue.taylorben@hotmail.com**

Youngsters treading boards

Children take part in the Ambient Night Theatre training weekly workshops

NEW weekly theatre workshops have kicked off in Cannock.

Ambient Night Productions is running the workshops for children aged seven to 18 each Saturday during school term times.

They run until April 9 and place are still available for the sessions at the Prince of Wales Centre in Church Street. They run from 10am to 11.30am for seven to 11-years-old and 11.30am to 1pm for 12 to 18-year-olds. Parents can book places through the box office on 01543 578762.

The workshops include acting, singing and dancing tuition and also look at play writing, directing, improvisation and puppetry.

Reel good night

SCOTTISH food, music and Highland dancers will mark Burns Night at Bar Sport in Cannock. A Rod Stewart tribute will be among the acts performing at the Premier Suite, in High Green, on January 29 at 7.30pm. A Scottish banquet will cost £24.50-a-head. For tickets, call 01543 572092.

Plea for footballers

KEEN footballers are being urged to join a five-a-side league in Cannock.

Players are needed for the Chase Academy League which meets on Monday nights and currently comprises eight teams.

Organiser Richard Beeston said ideally they would like 10 or 12 sides.

The league meets at the Chase Academy from 6-8pm on Mondays. Call Mr Beeston on 07815 301648.

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Jobs boost as market confidence returns

FIRMS in Cannock are planning to take on more staff as business confidence in the region starts to return.

More than half of the area's 22 manufacturers reported an increase in domestic sales in the past three months.

Exports had also increased, helped by the weak pound.

Almost a quarter of manufacturers said they had taken on staff in the last three months and 14 per cent were planning to recruit in the next three months, according to a survey released by Chase Chamber of Commerce.

Sales and jobs growth was slower in Cannock's services sector, which includes hotels, tourism, finance and shops, but 15 per cent of employers had increased their workforce and 14 per cent were planning to boost jobs in the next three months.

Increase

The figures for Cannock contrast with the rest of the West Midlands, particularly Birmingham, where just over a quarter of businesses reported an increase in domestic sales.

"Compared with other areas the results are actually positive," said Will Rogers, a policy adviser at the Birmingham Chamber of Commerce, which conducted the economic survey.

Meanwhile, regeneration projects at Lakeside Park, Cannock Chase South and Avon Plaza, which had been put on hold, are set to get under way once more.

Rooms with towering view on offer at Premier Inn

A NEW hotel in Rugeley will offer rooms with a view – of the town's power station.

The 50-bedroom Premier Inn has been built on Rugeley's Towers Business Park, close to the power station, whose cooling towers rise high into the sky.

The £4.5 million project nearing completion will include a Whitbread-brand Table Table restaurant.

Premier Inn says the opening date is scheduled for February 21.

The hotel chain is in the process of recruiting a new team of chefs and other staff through Cannock JobCentre in Beecroft Road.

Construction on the new hotel, which will create 65 jobs, started in July last year.

It is part of parent hotel and restaurant group Whitbread's national expansion drive for Premier Inn.

The chain aims to expand from 42,000 to 55,000 rooms nationwide by 2014.

Towers Business Park is a 100-acre former colliery site on the outskirts of Rugeley being developed by Advantage West Midlands, Cannock Chase Council and Gazeley, to create high-quality office, industrial and warehouse space.

The new hotel will bolster Premier Inn's presence in the region.

The chain has three hotels in Stafford, two in Cannock and others in Lichfield, Uttoxeter and Burton upon Trent.

The coal-fired power station has the capacity to power up to half a million homes.

The Premier Inn development at Towers Business Park in Rugeley

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Sub-postmaster fears for future of vital service

Selling off Royal Mail a first-class disaster

Sub-postmaster Navinder Devgun at Heath Hayes post office

A CANNOCK Chase sub-postmaster say many post offices fear closure or losing nearly half of their income if Royal Mail is privatised.

Royal Mail may be split from the retail arm, Post Offices Ltd, which would remain in public hands.

Navinder Devgun fears that privatisation would mean Royal Mail could seek a new partner as an alternative to the post office, such as a supermarket or a corner shop with an electronic payment terminal for the posting of parcels or other services.

Mr Devgun, aged 47, who took over his father's village post office six years ago in Hednesford Road, Heath Hayes, had hoped the business would see him through nicely to retirement.

But the father-of-three has faced a succession of challenges to his livelihood and worries for the future of post offices unless the government takes positive steps to help the industry.

He said: "We're already getting a lot of competition from the new mail companies and we're finding a lot of people are changing to doing things online.

"We feel under threat. If we do lose more business through privatisation, there will be a need to shut more post offices and the ones to go will be the smaller branches like ours."

Mr Devgun said the industry's trade magazines reported more and more post offices closing because they were no longer viable.

"The decline started around five years ago. We still make a decent living, but there has been a slight decline in income over that period.

"What we find is that custom from new companies who bring in four or five parcels a day will disappear after six months because they will have been approached by one of the bigger firms like CityLink who can offer them a better deal. It's hard to compete on a level footing."

Mr Devgun added: "What we need is for the Government to come forward and give us some more services. We've got passports and we've found that ebay has proved to be a saviour, but it's still not enough.

Promotes

"Twenty years ago, most of our business was from pensions, but that has all virtually disappeared.

"The DVLA promotes paying car tax online and over the phone, offering chances to win a car by doing so, then mentions the post office as an after-thought in the small print.

"Politicians say they want to save post offices on the one hand but do things like that on the other. They have to give us a fighting chance.

"The point about closing post offices in a village like ours is that it affects the community. It is well documented that there is often a knock-on effect which can cause local shops and other business to close as well."

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Sad end of brave young man 'blighted by drink'

I WAS very interested to see the article on 6 January about Edward McCann's efforts to ensure a permanent memorial to Thomas Flynn VC.

The plaque in Athlone makes it clear that he can only lay claim to being one of the two youngest recipients of the VC and that is because his birth certificate has never been found, despite countless searches.

It was the practice in Victorian times to note the date of enlistment of a soldier and his age in years and months, which is how we know that Flynn was 15 years three months when he won his VC in the Indian Mutiny but not his exact age. The other claimant to "youngest VC holder" is Hospital Apprentice Andrew Fitzgibbon, also 15 years and three months, who was attached to the 67th Regiment (later the The Royal Hampshires) when he won his VC in the 3rd China War of 1860. Sadly it is not known where either medal is.

Flynn's is the only one of the 13 awarded to the predecessors of the Staffordshire Regiment that cannot be located. The Regimental Museum holds seven (Wassall, Booth, Carmichael, Coltman, Cairns, Baskeyfield and Cain) and five are in private hands. Fitzgibbon's medal is thought to have been buried with him in India in 1883 but the exact site of his grave in Delhi's Old Military Cemetery was not recorded.

Flynn's later years were "blighted by drink" and he may have sold his VC or thrown it away. He was the subject of a question about his VC Annuity in the House of Commons in April 1892, shortly before his death in the Athlone Workhouse. The Financial Secretary to the War Office said it would be pointless to increase the annuity as he would only drink it away. A very sad end to a very brave young man.

The latest Regimental VC recipient to make the news is Colonel Henderson, whose VC from Mesopotamia in 1917 has just gone on show at the Ashcroft Gallery in the Imperial War Museum, one of 162 awards acquired by Lord Ashcroft since 1986.

The IWM website records only Fitzgibbon as the youngest VC holder but I am assured that Flynn will be included shortly.

The Extraordinary Heroes display in the Ashcroft Gallery gives the honour to both young men.

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Recognition for 15-year-old Victoria Cross recipient

Delight at memorial to hero young soldier

The Chronicle's story dated January 6

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Public donations enable Oxfam to carry on work

THANKS to the generosity of people in the West Midlands Oxfam was able to respond to a number of disasters and emergencies in 2010.

Last year was a year which saw aid agencies respond to more disasters around the world than ever before. Last January, the Haiti earthquake struck.

In July, an area (the size of England) was flooded in Pakistan affecting more than 14 million people.

An ongoing food crisis in the Sahel region of West Africa peaked in August leaving 10 million people facing severe hunger and malnutrition.

These events provoked an even bigger response than in 2005, the year of the Asian tsunami. The UK public gave £106m to Haiti and £64m to Pakistan during the Disasters Emergency Committee appeals, the second and third largest responses of all time.

I would like to thank people in the West Midlands for the huge support they gave to Oxfam in 2010. Public support, donations and campaigning on these crises have enabled Oxfam to save thousands of lives.

We will continue our work in 2011, responding to natural disasters and conflicts around the world but we must also work to tackle the human, economic and environmental causes of poverty.

In the West Midlands we can do this with continued public support through fundraising, supporting our shops and by joining us in campaigning on poverty and climate change.

GURVINDER SIDHU
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Support needed more than ever during 2011

ON behalf of everyone at Acorns Childrens Hospice, I wish to wholeheartedly thank the public for their generosity during 2010.

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However, 2011 looks to be a challenging year and we will be reliant more than ever on continued public support to generate the £6m plus needed.

So, I would ask anyone that is thinking about supporting a charity this year to consider Acorns. Many readers will have started the New Year with a personal goal to take on a new challenge and what better way than to organise or take part in an event in aid of Acorns?

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Mother's Canyon walk will raise funds

Grand attempt to help charity

A RUGELEY mother is aiming to raise £3,500 by walking the length of the Grand Canyon.

Libby Peers, of Richardson Way, is doing the walk to aid the charity Scope because her two-year-old daughter Susie has cerebral palsy.

"The charity helped me and my family through what was a difficult time," said Libby. "The help and information they provide for parents and carers is vital and the funds are much needed.

"I am beginning fundraising and training to walk the Grand Canyon in September."

Libby, an English teacher at Heath Park School, in Wolverhampton, added: "I am trying to raise awareness and funds for the charity."

She aims to raise the £3,500 pledge by holding a series of events, including a concert at her school.

Libby, aged 31, will be walking about 50 miles a day over five days through the spectacular canyon in Arizona.

Heaven

"Some may not see this as much of a challenge, but I am scared of everything."

Libby said the loss of her home comforts will also be a struggle – she never goes camping.

She said: "Whilst to many, the thought of camping in the Grand Canyon may seem like heaven, it is my idea of hell."

She added she had not done any running since leaving school, which is why she chose a walking challenge instead of the London Marathon.

"I hope that the 50 miles in 30-degree heat will be a doddle,"she said.

To sponsor Libby, visit **www.virginmoneygiving.com/libbypeers** or call 01902 556360.

Teacher Libby Peers of Rugeley, who is set to walk the length of the Grand Canyon to raise money for charity

Zumba classes to start

DANCE enthusiasts of all ages can improve their fitness by learning an energetic international style in Cannock.

Wolverhampton-based Triple M Dance Academy will launch two Zumba beginner sessions from next week at the Avon Business and Leisure centre, in Avon Road.

They get under way on Wednesday, January 26.

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An evening of comedy

A COMEDY night is being held at Keys Park in Hednesford next Friday night (January 28).

Stand-up acts Ben Davids, Mickey Sharma and Mark Maier will perform at the Hill Street venue from 8pm.

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Jenny Mansell sells her silver matchbox for Cannock charity The Cats Whiskers Rescue

Dickinson and co value possessions as TV show filmed

VISIT IS THE REAL DEAL

MEMBERS of the public discovered if their prized possessions were the real deal when daytime TV's most popular show came to Cannock.

David Dickinson and at Chase Leisure Centre on Saturday (January 15) to film Dickinson's Real Deal.

The format sees experts decide how much items are worth before an offer is made to the owner who decides whether to take the deal, or refuse.

Tanned

People who do not sell their items to the dealers, then take them to an auction to see if they can make more money there.

The tanned presenter said he and his crew had enjoyed their day in Cannock.

He said: "It has been such a great crowd. The items have been interesting, but low value."

No date has yet been set for transmission, but the recordings will be made into four separate shows.

Irene Cooke, of Hatherton Road, Cannock, sold her Moorcroft plate for £125. "I was thinking it might go for £80 so £125 is a bit of a bonus," she said.

Beryl Barratt, from Stafford, took along an unusual item from the Victorian period – a stuffed cobra and mongoose.

She was told it is worth between £40 and £60.

Irene Cooke from Cannock brings her plate to be valued on Dickinson's Real Deal

Susan Brooks gets her clock valued on Dickinson's Real Deal

David Dickinson with Irene Cooke, who has her plate valued

David Dickinson and his film crew recording Dickinson's Real Deal at Chase Leisure Centre

Beryl Barratt with her cobra and mongoose

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Where traditional Italian cuisine is second to nan

Chef Guiseppe Iaconi from Il Marchigiano's at the Plum Pudding

The Plum Pudding in Armitage, home to Il Marchigiano's

ANYONE making a go of a business in these troubled economic times has to be commended. Nowhere more so than at Rugeley's very own 'Little Italy' – the Plum Pudding.

Partners Roma Fiero and Guiseppe Iaconi decided two years ago to buy the pub and open up an Italian restaurant within. Since then, Il Marchigiano's is doing very nicely, thank you, though not without a lot of hard work.

Roma herself is under no illusions as to the task ahead.

"We know not everyone is going to want Italian all the time, so we have to try to freshen things up and offer something different," she said.

Traditional Sunday roasts are offered, which remain popular, as do the pub's Thursday curry nights and Friday fish suppers. There is also a separate lunch menu from 12-2pm each day.

Expertise

Chef Guiseppe has a wealth of experience and specialises in traditional home-made Italian cuisine – like 'nonna' or grandma used to make.

Since moving to these shores, he has worked in a number of top restaurants and has now brought his expertise to the Rugeley Road pub, in Armitage.

Customers can also get an exclusive taste of the way Guiseppe does things with cooking demonstrations.

My partner and I – both lovers of Italian food – went to see what all the fuss was about, and weren't disappointed.

The first thing that strikes the customer is the pub's picturesque location, beside the Trent & Mersey canal, giving it that Venetian feeling.

Diners are warmly greeted, the whole place has a convivial atmosphere and complimentary comments fill the visitors' book.

So, what about the food? Well it's cooked from fresh and it's well worth the wait.

Guiseppe has a varied repertoire, as the menu proves with starters from the soup of the day; crostini tricolore, a trio of 'little toasts topped with garlic, diced tomatoes and wild mushrooms; proscuitto ham served with a melon fan; or cozze alla marinara, mussels prepared with sliced shallots in a rich wine and tomato sauce.

Mains include pasta, meat and fish dishes as well as a vegetarian option with daily specials also on offer.

I couldn't resist the lure of fish and plumped for the sea bass (Spigola Arrosta), served with sauteed potatoes and fresh vegetables. Very good it was too, while Sharon's choice was the tagliatelle. Enjoyable and yet surprisingly more spicy than expected.

La dolce vite followed as we enjoyed the sweet life with our puddings with choices including tiramisu, After Eight cheesecake and limoncella.

I opted for the tartufo classico nero, Chocolate ice cream with a zabaglione centre, coated with crushed hazelnuts and dusted with cocoa powder. Sharon's choice was the tartufo limoncella – lemon ice cream with soft lemon liqueur centre coated with crushed meringue.

My nan never made anything like that.

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by Mark Shipp

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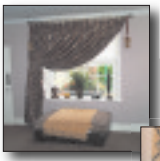

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Council in calls for upgrades to rail line

Chairman Roger Knowles with an 1884 map of the village at the Norton Canes Historical Society and Family History Group exhibition

COUNCILLORS in Cannock have given Network Rail a list of improvements needed on the Chase Line.

The list is part of a consultation on long-term investment plans for the West Midlands rail network.

The council has responded to Network Rail's West Midlands Route Utilisation Strategy (RUS), which sets out the priorities for rail investment in the region over the next 10 years. Priorities for the council include upgrades to stations in Cannock, Hednesford and Rugeley.

It also wants increased speed on the line, an extension of evening services and more frequent trains.

The council disagrees with Network Rail that recent improvements to Chase Line stations should mark the end of upgrade work.

It booking offices at Cannock and Hednesford, as well as improved disabled access at Rugeley Town and Cannock, still need to be developed.

Network Rail has been asked by the council to give greater priority to increasing line speed on the Chase Line, which is currently at a maximum speed of 45mph

The authority has asked Network Rail to take steps to secure the extension of the final Chase Line evening service to Rugeley

The final evening service from Birmingham at 11.18pm currently terminates at Hednesford, because of engineering works, resulting in the last Rugeley service departing Birmingham an hour earlier.

First exhibition for new history group

A NEWLY formed history group hosted its first exhibition. Norton Canes Historical Society and Family History Group held the exhibition last Saturday (January 15) in the Hamish Wallace Community Room at the village library, in Burntwood Road.

Chairman Roger Knowles said he was 'greatly encouraged' by interest shown.

"We were extremely busy all day," he said. "People brought lots of photos and lots of information."

The exhibition included artefacts relating to the village, including photographs, maps and old documents. Part of the display – 'shops remembered' – features a history of retailers who have come and gone in the last 100 years or so.

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Independent artists display works at museum

A NEW exhibition featuring photography, painting and mixed media has opened at the Museum of Cannock Chase.

Locations features work by artists from the Eyes Group and runs until February 25.

The new work by Olwen Holland, Wendy Brown and Margaret Anderton is linked by the theme of 'place' and 'non place'. They have all explored different aspects of this theme and it is one they will continue.

Margaret completed an MA Fine Art at the University of the Arts London in 1999 and now works as an independent artist photographer.

"In my works, the images of the foundations of an unknown building invite the viewer to consider their relationship with, and dislocation from a sense of place," she said.

"The photographs were taken of the same building, and within minutes of one another, yet their abstract nature creates a sense of displacement and unease."

The museum in Valley Road, Hednesford, is open 11am to 4pm, Monday to Friday, and admission is free.

Margaret Anderton exhibits 'unknown building foundation' prints in the Eyes Group's Locations show at the Museum of Cannock Chase, in Hednesford

Divert muggers' path pleads Chase school

A PUBLIC footpath where pupils at a nearby school have been mugged and staff assaulted could be diverted.

Chase Academy, in Convent Close, Cannock,aims to boost security at the day school and international school after education inspectors branded it inadequate.

The footpath, which runs through the grounds of the academy, has been cited as a problem, with incidents including arson, assaults, burglary and racial abuse.

Diverting the crime-ridden footpath, which is bordered by the academy, Cannock Youth Centre and Asda, is included in the scheme.

The plans would see a new route created from the junction of St John's Road to the entrance of Asda.

A statement submitted to Cannock Chase Council planners by architects J.Mason Associates said: "The area around Convent Close, particularly the footpath that runs along the close, is a crime hotspot.

"The crime affects the children who study there, the adults who work there and the organisations which are located there.

"Most recent events have included two Chase Academy students being robbed at knifepoint and an arson attack on the dry vegetation of the youth centre during a dry spell during the 2010 summer."

Boarding

The statement added: "Ofsted's line on security is getting progressively harder. Their recent inspection of the international school found the school security inadequate.

"Pupils, staff and local residents have lived with the chronic risks of crime."

School bosses hope that diverting the footpath will help improve the protection and safety of staff and pupils.

Principal Mark Ellse said: "Footpaths like this are always a source of crime.

"The application is well supported by the police and the alternative will be a nicer and safer footpath for everybody.

"The whole plan is designed to increase the size of the school campus and also security."

Chase Academy's international school takes boarding pupils from all around the world.

Planning permission is now being sought to build two homes for student accommodation and convert homes in St John's Road and Convent Close into homes for students.

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First ministerial step for rookie Chase MP

Aidan Burley MP

ROOKIE MP Aidan Burley has become a Parliamentary Private Secretary (PPS) – just seven months after his election.

Prime Minister David Cameron has approved the appointment of the Cannock Chase MP as PPS to Philip Hammond, the Secretary of State for Transport. Becoming a PPS has traditionally been seen as the first rung on the ministerial ladder.

It is unusual for a new MP to take on such a role within a few months of taking office and Mr Burley is the only member of the 2010 Tory intake to have been made a PPS to a cabinet minister.

"I'm delighted to have been appointed and to be able to work closely within the department that has responsibility for our transport system," said 31-year-old Mr Burley.

"My constituency of Cannock Chase is at the heart of the country and, therefore, its road network, including the M6 and the M6 Toll.

"Cannock Chase is an important manufacturing area with a large number of small and medium size businesses. These businesses need an efficient transport network in order to survive and prosper."

Mr Hammond gave Mr Burley his first job in politics – as a researcher in 2002. He took the Cannock Chase seat with the country's largest swing from Labour to Conservatives.

Last week he clashed with Shadow Home Secretary Ed Balls about how much time police officers should spend on the streets.

During a session of the Home Affairs Select Committee, Mr Burley said an HMIC Report into Police Bureaucracy showed 16 per cent of Pc's time is spent dealing with paperwork, compared to just 11 per cent on the beat.

He said he would like to see that reversed and asked Mr Balls if he thought it would be better if police spent more time on patrol than they do on paperwork.

School's league table success

Chase Academy pupils Sarah Ellse (aged 18), Oliver Stephenson (16) and Scarlett Ward (17)

STAFF and pupils celebrated after their school came fourth in the whole county in the latest league tables, published last week.

Some 86 per cent of students at the independent Chase Academy gained at least five GCSEs at A*-C level.

Jackie Williams, deputy head at the school, off St John's Road, said: "We're very thrilled with the students.

"They've all worked very hard, and we've got some outstanding individual performances, with lots of students achieving early GCSEs."

The school, established in 1980, has fewer than 300 students.

There are also fewer than 10 sixth formers, but they achieved a 100 per cent pass rate, with 67 per cent of those A-Levels at A and B grades.

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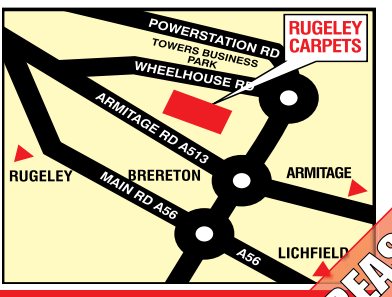

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Artist takes work on tour

A BURNTWOOD artist is to take some of her work on tour.

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The respected artist currently has an online new year sale and is planning an open day at her studio.

People can browse paintings available at **http://carolebaker.com/sale_jan2011.html**

Her Sunnyside Garden Studio, in Rugeley Road, is open on Saturday, January 29 11am-5pm.

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Fun run plan for Royal wedding

TRADERS in Hednesford plan to mark the Royal Wedding by hosting the town's first fun run.

The 7k or 10k run could be part of a jam-packed day of events to celebrate the big day on April 29.

Scores of people attended a meeting at The Hen House pub, in Eskrett Street, to discuss ways to bring shoppers into the town to mark the wedding of Prince William to Kate Middleton.

The meeting heard the day already includes a street party and a Victorian market.

Cannock Chase Councillor Linda Whitehouse, chairman of Hednesford Traders' Association, said: "It was great, very positive. We have already got a couple of volunteers who are willing to help us. It would be the first 7k/10k run for charity and hopefully take place on a regular basis over Hednesford Hills."

The Rawnsley councillor said traders were trying to put on as many events as possible so people would not be tempted to watch the wedding at home.

She said: "We've got face painting and a big screen organised but to comply with health and safety we are looking for adequate volunteers to make sure we all succeed.

"As well as the Victorian market, we are looking for people to dress up and we want to involve all of the local schools who can help out with bunting, flyers and banners."

Councillor Whitehouse is now setting up a designated office in Market Street to use as a base for the organisation.

A follow-up meeting has been organised for Tuesday, February 15, at The Hen House, with formal gatherings being held the second Tuesday of the month until the big day.

Cake sales a boost to charity

Georgina Taylor and Abi Kay sell cakes for BDF Newlife at Chase Leisure Centre

TWO Cannock schoolgirls raised money for charity by holding a cake sale.

Abi Kay and Georgina Taylor, both aged 14, took over a section of Chase Leisure Centre, in Stafford Road, to raise money for Newlife Foundation for Disabled Children.

The Cannock Chase High School pupils asked people to buy their cakes on the way out of the building.

The pair raised £67 for breast cancer last year with a similar sale and by the end of the day had beaten that with takings of £70.

Abi's mum Emma, who works at the leisure centre, said the girls had organised it themselves.

She said: "They have been encouraged by their school to look at charity initiatives and thought it would be a great idea to support a local charity."

"They held one raising money for a breast cancer charity last summer.

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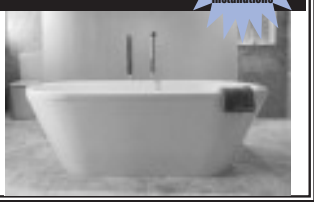

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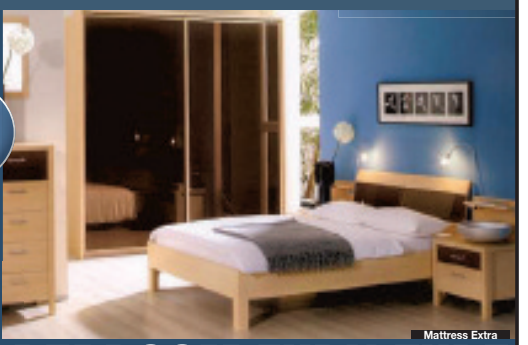

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Grandfather puts pen to paper to relive memories

Life in a pit village is brought to book

A GRANDFATHER from Brownhills has cast his mind back to his childhood to write about life growing up in a mining village.

Grandfather-of-four Brian Stringer, aged 72, put pen to paper to write about the first 16 years of his life in Clayhanger.

Mr Stringer worked at Walsall Wood after learning the ropes at the Valley Training Pit in Hednesford, which features heavily in the book. Chasewater also features in the 'The Clayhanger Kid'.

The Clayhanger Kid is based on his memories of the1940s and 1950s and is packed with stories, family pictures, school photographs and snaps of the area.

Mr Stringer, who lives with his wife Maureen, 68, in Park Close, said: "I was the editor of the Brownhills Gazette monthly magazine between 1988 and 1993 and published old pictures of people and the area.

"I wanted to write this as a legacy to what it was like growing up here."

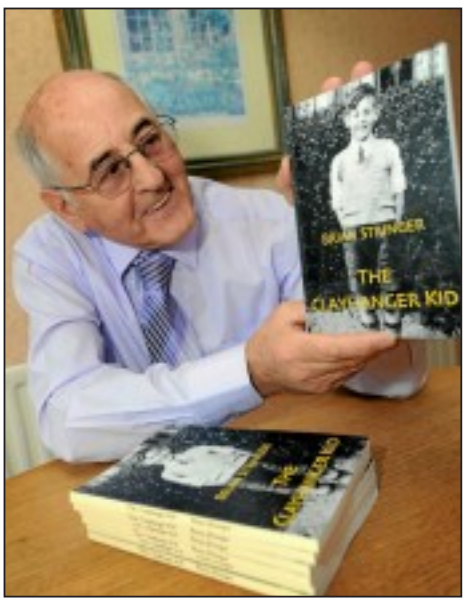
As a youngster, Mr Stringer lived in High Street with his mother Maud, father Cyril and younger brother Barry. He said: "My earliest memories are coming out of an air raid shelter at the bottom of the street during the war.

"We only did that a few times. Mum and dad thought we would be better off sheltering under trees at the bottom of my grandad's garden who lived nearby."

Mr Stringer attended Holy Trinity infants and Ogley Hay junior school before moving to Brownhills Central Secondary School for Boys. "I remember the torture tree at the school," Mr Stringer said. "When you started the school, as an initiation ceremony, the regulars would stand at the gates and frogmarch you to the tree. It was forked in the middle and they used to sling you over it. The tree is still there now."

Mr Stringer went to work at Walsall Wood Colliery, maintaining machinery. He later secured jobs in factories on the production line. In the 1980s and 1990s he joined the committee of Walsall Wood FC and currently sits on the Brownhills Local Committee.

He will be signing copies of his book, priced £6, at Brownhills Library on February 5 from 10am to 4pm. Or, call Mr Stringer on 01543 821539.



Brian Stringer with copies of his book The Clayhanger Kid

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Metal detectorist talk is real gem

THE first meeting of 2011 took place on Tuesday, January 18, with the speaker being Jim Wall from Bloxwich Research and Metal Detecting Club.

Members heard how to go about finding "treasure".

The group meets at St Luke's School, New Penkridge Road, Cannock, at 7.30pm, with plenty of parking in front of the school.

The guild will be celebrating its 40th anniversary with a dinner on Tuesday, January 25, at The Barns restaurant, Huntington, 7 for 7.30pm.

CANNOCK TOWNSWOMEN

Anyone wishing to attend is urged to contact a committee member. The cost of the meal is £17.50.

The annual subscription of £22 will be due on February 1 to cover 11 monthly meetings – excluding August – speakers' fees and hire of the school hall.

Press officer Sandra McLeod says she wishes to thank guild members for helping her to raise £71.50p at a recent meeting.

The cash was gratefully received by the charity Breast Cancer Care.

Contact her via email at sandra-mcleod@hotmail.co.uk for any more information and meeting dates.

Bagpackers the toast of charity

CANNOCK SOROPTIMISTS

SOROPTIMIST International of Cannock & District have SNAP as one of their president's charities this year and have found many ways of supporting them since April 2010.

In December, members helped with bagpacking at Sainsbury's to raise funds for SNAP and had great fun doing so.

Over the weekend before Christmas almost £1,000 was collected at the tills by the bagpackers – an incredible amount, and more had been collected in the few weeks before.

The final total will not be announced by Sainsbury's until a little later this year.

Soroptimists were thrilled at the good humour shown by shoppers, their interest in SNAP and their incredible generosity.

SNAP – Special Needs Adventure Playground – is a purpose-built facility in Pye Green Road, Cannock, designed for children with special needs. There is a fully enclosed outside play area with a wheelchair round-about, wheelchair swing, lie-down swing, sensory garden, trikes and cycle pathway, plus the usual play equipment.

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More information can be found at the **www.snapcannock.co.uk** website.

Tales of Nepal are high point for members

ETCHING Hill WI began the new year with a lively and interesting January meeting.

With the weather having loosened its grip there was an excellent turnout of members to hear speaker Margaret Cross share her experiences of living and working in Nepal. Members sat enthralled as Margaret outlined the circumstances which took her to Nepal and some of the people she encountered. We were all fascinated by what she had to say and you could have heard a pin drop whilst she spoke. Truly the mark of an interesting speaker.

Now living locally, Margaret has maintained strong links with Nepal and visits on a regular basis. Her love for this mountain kingdom and for its people is clear.

ETCHING HILL WI

After a pause for refreshments the meeting resumed with the annual auction. Members donate items they have received during the year, or at Christmas, and these are auctioned to the highest bidder.

This year the table groaned under the weight of the lots, and our two auctioneers used a range of tactics to encourage us to buy. These frequently resulted in much laughter as items were modelled and lots combined to ensure everything was sold. The next meeting is on February 9 at Etching Hill Village Hall and will have a celebratory theme.

New members are always made welcome and further details can be found at **www.wi-etching-hill.org.uk** or from secretary Chris Stinton on 01889 585505.

CANNOCK AND DISTRICT LADIES PROBUS CLUB

Never too late for a nosh-up

CHAIRMAN Del Johnson welcomed members and visitor Susan Brookes to the January meeting and wished them all a very happy and healthy New Year.

She gave a special welcome to Heidi Sullivan who had been unable to attend recently due to ill health.

As the December meeting had to be cancelled due to the snowy conditions, everyone enjoyed the delicious festive meal planned for the Christmas celebrations.

A moment's silence was held in memory of Margaret Bromley, who had recently passed away. Margaret had been a member for many years and had held office on the committee.

Pam Clarke thanked everyone for the kind cards and messages sent to her and her husband Bill.

On behalf of Betty Hunter, the chairman thanked everyone for cards and calls which Betty had received after her operation.

As Jenny Dunn was not well, it was not possible to have the music quiz. Instead, Del Johnson spoke about the Bonnet Project started in Australia and "the life of female convicts in the late 1700s".

The club meets on the first Thursday of each month at Chase Golf Club. For details, call Barbara Bowman on 01543 505107.

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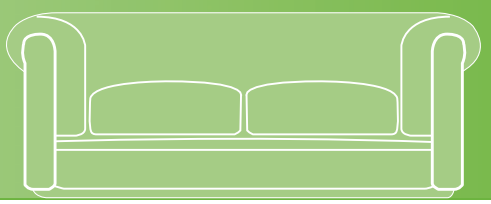

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50-year tour for Christie

SINGING star Tony Christie is to perform in Cannock and his home city of Lichfield on his 50th anniversary tour.

The 67-year-old singer, whose hits include (Is This the Way to) Amarillo, will appear at the Lichfield Garrick on May 5 and at the Prince of Wales Centre in Cannock on July 1.

The tour celebrates a half century in music and the release of his new album Now's The Time on Acid Jazz Records

Cannock tickets are available from the box office on 01543 578762.

For Lichfield, call 01543 412121.

Hospital boss will earn £180k a year

HEALTH chiefs are advertising for a new hospital boss, who will be offered a "negotiable" £180,000 a year.

The new Mid Staffordshire NHS Foundation Trust chief executive will begin their job when NHS trouble-shooter Antony Sumara leaves the post in the summer.

The trust manages both Cannock Hospital and scandal-hit Stafford Hospital, which has been at the centre of a public inquiry into poor standards of care.

The job is being advertised at a salary level of £180,000 although this could be higher for what the trust has termed an "exceptional candidate".

The trust says that the right candidate needs to be capable of bringing about "cultural change" at Stafford Hospital.

It adds the new chief "will be expected to bring about significant organisational, cultural and performance improvements embedding a patient-focused culture through which standards will continually be raised".

Mr Sumara was brought in to try to turn around the hospital in August 2009 just months after the damning Healthcare Commission report that March.

Findings

He has always said his time at Stafford was temporary. The new chief executive will also have to deal with the fallout from the Francis Inquiry which is expected to publish its findings later this year.

Trust chairman Sir Stephen Moss said the new boss would need to build on the "excellent foundations" established by Mr Sumara during his time as chief.

"Our priority is to find someone with equally strong values regarding the quality of patient care, and who can demonstrate a clear longer-term commitment to lead the trust through the challenges ahead," he added.

Driver Veronica Jones with one of the pink Corkys Cars cabs to raise for Breast Cancer awareness

Cab firm in pink to back charity

A CANNOCK cab company has turned one of its cars pink to raise money for breast cancer research.

Corkys Cars in Cannock will be donating 50p from every fare taken in the decorated taxi to the cause. The promotion will run until the end of February.

Owner Will Rotchell said the car drew a huge emotional response on its first day on the road.

Driver Veronica Jones dressed in pink to match the car, whose decorations were provided for free by Slade Signs of Huntington.

Mr Rotchell said: "My girlfriend's mum has had breast cancer and she's pulled through but I just think helping this charity is the right thing to do."

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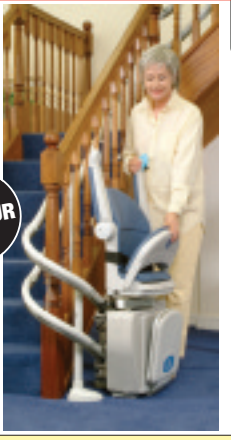

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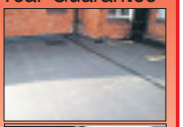

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THE GREEN HORNET FROM JAN 14

It's going to be another year for comic book heroes with The Green Lantern and Thor in the pipeline but the first of the bunch is The Green Hornet with Britt Reid played by Seth Rogen, as the son and heir to Los Angeles' largest newspaper fortune.

Just like Bruce Wayne aka Batman he is a rich, spoiled playboy who has been happy to drift through life doing whatever his fortune allows.

However, the death of his father James Reid played by Tom Wilkinson, brings Britt into contact with employee Kato, a role taken on by the late great Bruce Lee in the TV series but this time played byJay Chou.

Their social consciences are collectively pricked and Kato builds The Black Beauty, the inevitable and indestructible car which no comic book hero should be without and as you would expect comes with every weapon imaginable. The twist this time comes as Britt decides that to be heroes, they will pose as villains.

Cameron Diaz adds the glamour as Reid's new secretary, Lenore Case and of course you can't have a hero without a nemesis, stand up Christopher Waltz as Mr Big, Benjamin Chudnofsky who has all the gangs under his power – cue the action.

Visit www.sonypictures.com/movies/thegreenhornet/

CONVICTION – THE TRUE STORY OF BETTY ANNE WATERS FROM JAN 14

This inspirational story stars Hilary Swank as Betty Anne who is devoted to her brother Kenny, played by Sam Rockwell who was sentenced to life for murder in the 1980s.

Convinced of his innocence Massachusetts mother and wife Betty sets about devoting her life to overturning the conviction.

She puts herself through high school, college and, finally, law school in an 18-year quest to free him. With the help of best friend Minnie Driver as Abra Rice she dissects the evidence and pushes herself and everyone around her to the limit to achieve her goal.

MORNING GLORY FROM JAN 21

In this romantic comedy Becky Fuller, Rachel McAdams, is a young producer who must save her TV show and her love life.

However, she has a tough job on her hands when she's given the task of resuscitating a flagging breakfast TV show Daybreak, which has already eaten and spat out several seasoned producers.

Her first job is to bring on board the legendary but notoriously difficult, presenter Mike Pomeroy played by screen veteran Harrison Ford to work with self-important anchorwoman Colleen Peck played by another veteran Diane Keaton.

It's not hard to figure out that sparks start to fly and things go wrong, to add to her woes her personal life in the form of boyfriend Adam – Patrick Wilson – is heading for an iceberg.

Can she calm the storm between her bickering hosts, save the show and keep her boyfriend on board - there's only one way to find out.

BLACK SWAN FROM JAN 21

Nina played by Natalie Portman is a ballerina in a New York City company whose life is dance.

She lives with her retired ballerina mother Erica – Barbara Hershey – who is a driving force behind her daughter's professional ambition.

Dance director Thomas Leroy played by Vincent Cassel replaces prima ballerina Beth MacIntyre, Winona Ryder, for the opening production of their new season, Swan Lake and Nina is now his prima.

However, she has competition in the form of the new dancer, Lily, played by Mila Kunis, who impresses Leroy just as much.

The famous ballet requires the prima ballerina to play the White Swan with innocence and grace, and the Black with guile and sensuality.

Nina fits the White Swan perfectly but Lily is the personification of the Black Swan.

As the two young dancers' lives become entwined their rivalry morphs into a twisted friendship thus the central question of the film asks will Nina survive as she explores her her dark side with a recklessness that threatens to destroy her.

Visit www.foxsearchlight.com/blackswan

THE MECHANIC FROM JAN 28

This remake of the 1970s Charles Bronson classic has Arthur Bishop played by Jason Statham who is the mechanic of the title – an assassin with a strict code and a unique talent for cleanly eliminating targets.

Bishop is the best there is, a professional perfectionist with total detachment.

But when his mentor and close friend Harry, Donald Sutherland, is murdered, Bishop shows human weakness.

He chooses his next assignment and wants those responsible eliminated.

However, Harry's son Steve played by Ben Foster complicates matters when he shows a determination to learn Bishop's trade. Bishop decides to take the student deep into his world and a deadly partnership is born.

But while in pursuit of their ultimate mark, deceptions threaten to surface and those hired to fix problems become problems themselves.

Visit www.themechanicmovie.com

TANGLED FROM JAN 28

Tangled is Disney's retelling of the Rapunzel fairytale.

Princess Rapunzel who is voiced by Mandy Moore, is a teenager with 70 feet of enchanted blonde hair who has been imprisoned in a tower by the witch Gothel who is given life by Donna Murphy.

As you can imagine homesick Rapunzel wants to head back to the kingdom of her childhood.

So when lovable rogue Flynn voiced by Zachary Levi takes refuge in the tower as well, she espies an opportunity.

She makes a pact with the thief and the pair become entangled in an adventure.

With her pet chameleon and a police-horse by her side, Rapunzel heads for home.

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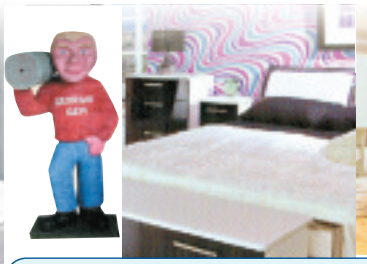

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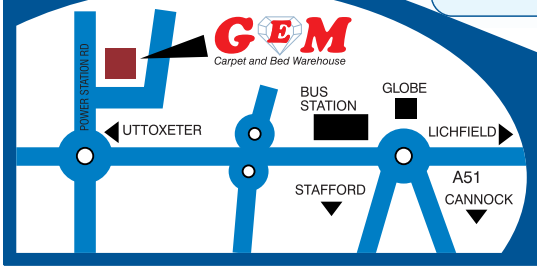

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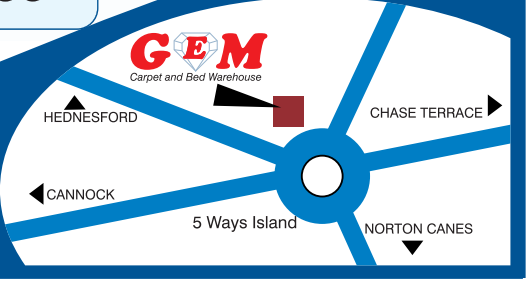

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Ali's top of the Lolli-pops

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A CHASE crossing warden has pulled out all the stops by beating more than 9,000 people to be crowned as West Midlands' Lollipop Man of the year.

Alastair Chapman was named the winner in the Kwik-Fit Insurance awards 2010, on Monday January 17.

He ensures children cross safely at Gentleshaw Primary School, in Darlings Lane.

Alistair was presented with a unique lollipop trophy as well as a £100 cheque and a further £500 boost for his school.

It took the community four years of campaigning and a petition to then Prime Minister, Gordon Brown, to get a crossing warden sited at the school.

Alastair, who was already well-known by parents and teachers after spending 14 years as the school caretaker, took on the role.

The schoolchildren submitted letters, pictures, poems and a DVD of an assembly organised for Alastair to show exactly how much he is appreciated.

Headteacher Sue Winson said, as soon as her pupils heard about the competition they were desperate to show their support for Alastair and got to work preparing the winning entry.

She said: "The competition provided a great opportunity to teach the children about road safety while developing communication and creative skills across the school.

"The children really enjoyed taking part and we think Alastair thoroughly deserves his title as the best lollipop person in the West Midlands."

The competition which was officially launched in September last year commissioned a UK-wide survey of schoolchildren.

In the West Midlands, 36 per cent of children admitted to running across the road without checking for traffic, compared with the UK average of 39 per cent.

In addition, 84 per cent of children in the West Midlands said they regularly crossed the roads without the help of a lollipop person or using crossings.

Now in its eighth year, the annual awards recognise the hard work and dedication of the men and woman who patrol the UK's school crossings on a daily basis.

June Lynch, managing director of Kwik-Fit Financial Services, said: "It was immediately clear from the entries we received just how much Alastair is loved and valued by the whole of Gentleshaw Primary School.

"This competition is all about finding the lollipop people who make a real difference in their communities and keep children safe on the roads, and Alastair is a worthy winner for the West Midlands."

He now goes through to the grand finale with the other 11 regional finalists across the UK for the chance to win the overall title and a further £500. The winning school will be presented with a cheque of £3,000 to spend on equipment.

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Wife's rings are lost during hospital stay

Husband calls for an apology

THE husband of an 81-year-old dementia sufferer has demanded an apology from hospital bosses after his wife's wedding and engagement rings went missing.

Bronwen Carrier has partial dementia and was being treated for a chest infection at Samuel Johnson Community Hospital in Lichfield.

Her husband Gordon said he discovered two days before she was discharged that the rings were missing.

He said: "I walked in to visit her in the afternoon and she held her hand out and said 'They're gone'."

Mr Carrier said a nurse told him his wife was wearing the rings in the morning but when she took her for a wash they had gone. He said the nurse claimed that on the previous day Mrs Carrier had tried to wrap the rings and put them in the rubbish bag by her bed. However his wife said she was wearing them when she went to sleep and in the morning they were gone.

Mr Carrier paid £30 for the engagement ring, a three-stone setting of white metal on gold, with vented sides.

South Staffordshire NHS trust's security manager Marilyn Evans told Mr Carrier she was unable to find out what had happened to the rings but added staff had failed to properly document his wife's valuables.

In a letter to Mr Carrier, of Chase Avenue, Cheslyn Hay, she wrote: "I have been unable to ascertain exactly how the jewellery was lost.

"However my investigation has highlighted some areas where procedures need to be improved."

Mr Carrier has been offered a meeting with the hospital's manager but says he is upset that nobody has apologised.

South Staffordshire Primary Care Trust said an extensive investigation had been carried out.

"We are sincerely sorry that we have not been able to provide further information regarding this loss," said a statement.

"We have enhanced our systems and procedures regarding patient valuables to ensure that problems of this nature don't arise in the future."

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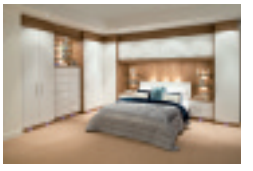

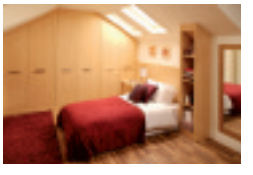

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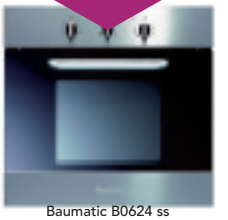

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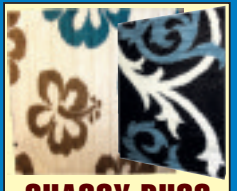

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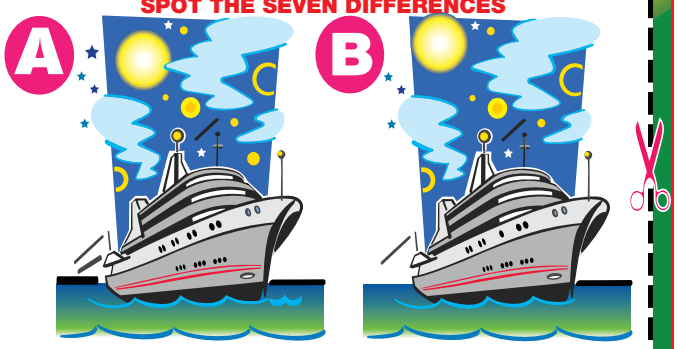

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Maddy back to lead Steeleye

Steeleye Span, with Maddy Prior, at the Prince of Wales Centre on January 28

FOLK-ROCK pioneers Steeleye Span are sure to attract a big crowd when they play the Cannock Prince of Wales Centre later this year.

Maddy Prior – the voice of Steeleye for 37 years – is back to lead the group on a nation-wide tour.

Peter Knight, Rich Kemp, Peter Zorn and Liam Genockey join Prior as the popular group, originally formed in 1969, showcase their brand of powerful folk numbers.

Steeleye Span enjoyed commercial success in the 1970s with hit singles Gaudete and All Around my Hat, while they also had three top-40 albums with All Around my Hat achieving gold status. Many personnel changes have taken place in their 41-year history but it's Prior who has remained constant almost throughout, with her melodic voice one of the group's main selling points.

Much of Steeleye Span's early material focused on traditional folks songs, while later work saw an increased tendency to include self-penned tracks.

Tickets for Steeleye Span, who will be at the Church Street venue on Monday January 28, are £18. Call the box office on 01543 578762.

The great American songbook

THE SWEET soul sounds of Ben E King and Gary U.S. Bonds will be filling the Prince of Wales Centre when the pair bring their Great American Soulbook tour to Cannock.

King and Bonds have joined forces to perform their many hits, as well as songs from their contemporaries.

From his early days as the lead singer of The Drifters, through to his solo work, Ben E King has provided the musical soundtrack to millions of people world-wide.

His many many hits include Spanish Harlem, Save The Last Dance For Me,Don't Play That Song, I Who Have Nothing and the multi-million selling Stand By Me.

Rhythm and blues singer Bonds is cited as a major influence on such luminaries as Bruce Springsteen, Bon Jovi and Little Steven.

His first two releases, New Orleans and Quarter To Three, were both chart-toppers in the 1960s and he was recently invited by Rolling Stones legend Bill Wyman to perform at a special guest with The Rhythm Kings.

The pair will recall some of the most influential soul songs of the 20th century in their show, including In the Midnight Hour, Respect, Soul Man, When a Man Loves a Woman, and Sittin' on the Dock of the Bay.

Tickets for Great American Soulbook, on Tuesday March 8, are £20 and can be booked by calling 01543 578762.

Medium Steve Holbrook

Charity collection as medium returns

RENOWNED medium Steve Holbrook is returning to Cannock with his unique brand of clairvoyancy next month.

Labelled at "emotional, compelling and moving", Holbrook's Where Two World's Meet tour has taken him around the UK.

Collections on the night will raise money for PACT, a national charity which helps terminally ill children.

A spokesman said: "Even hardened critics and sceptics will leave his demonstration uncomfortably challenged! Steve has a down-to-earth, sympathetic approach towards his mediumship and promises an emotional roller-coaster ride for his audiences, always full of laughter and tears."

Steve Holbrook will be at the Ramada Hotel, in Bridgtown, on Tuesday February 8.

Tickets cost £16 and can be booked by calling 01924 256542.

Smackee's Super Trouper show

DANCING Queens are asked to take a chance on an all-singing all-dancing Abba tribute show which comes to Cannock in March.

Barry Walker's Smackee production company has put together the show, called Bjorn out of Smackee, which promises two hours of non-stop hits.

Swedish legends Bjorn, Benny, Agnetha and Anni-Frid became one of the most successful pop acts in history, regularly topping the charts for 10 years from 1972 to 1982.

Abba sold more than £375million records worldwide, ranking them fourth on the list of best-selling artists of all time. Their biggest hits became household classics, including Waterloo, Mamma Mia, Fernando, Dancing Queen, Knowing Me Knowing You, Take a Chance on Me and The Winner Takes it All. Five of their eight original studio albums reached number one in the UK; Arrival, The Album, Voulez-Vous, Super Trouper and The Visitors.

Abba The Show – Born Out of Smackee is at the Prince of Wales Centre on Saturday March 12, with tickets costing £17.

To book call the box office on 01543 578762.

Boyband tributes

TACKEROO regulars That's Life make a welcome return to the Hednesford pub tomorrow night (Friday).

The group sing the hits of Take That, Boyzone and Westlife.

Tickets for the gig, which starts at 9pm, are £6. The following night a U2 tribute takes to the stage, again costing £6 a ticket.

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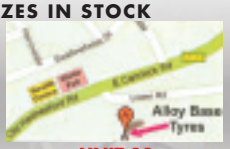

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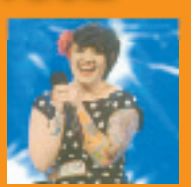

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BBC1

6.00 Breakfast. 9.00 Saturday Kitchen Live. 10.00 Eating Made Easy. (R) 10.30 BBC News. Regional News. Weather. 10.45 Football Focus. 11.00 Australian Open Tennis. 3.00 Live Sport. The men's singles countdown to the World Indoor Championships. 5.00 Final Score. 5.30 BBC News. Regional News. Weather. 5.35 Hole in the Wall. With John Partridge, Sian Reeves, Kate Lawler and Jonathan Ansell. (R)

6.00 All New Total Wipeout. Adventure game show hosted by Richard Hammond and Amanda Byram. 7.00 The Magicians. With Penn & Teller, Morgan Kemp and Neil Patrick. 8.00 The National Lottery: In It to Win It. Quiz show including lots of important numbers. 8.30 Casualty. Pitch reaches a breaking point. 9.30 Come Fly with Me. Tony Mortimer burns into Harry Potter star Rupert Grint and Great British Air Cabin Crew to deal with passengers from the lunar chancer. (R) 10.15 BBC News at Ten. 10.30 British Pride Day. Including highlights of Manchester United v Birmingham City, National Lottery Update. 11.15 The Football League Show. Match Of The Day presents highlights of today's games. Weather follows. 11.45 BBC News.

BBC2

6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 10.00 Barrie: She Wrote. (R) 10.40 Film: The Mudlester. (2009) Drama/adventure, starring Justin Chambers. 12.20 Film: The Kid. (2000) Disney comedy starring Bruce Willis. 2.00 Play It! (R) 2.40 Escape to the Country. (R) 3.30 The Bear Family and Me. (R)

4.30 Bob's Asks. The debonair clean-live to recent version. (R) 5.10 The Genius of Mile. Documentary featuring a one-off episode of the comedy. (R) 5.40 QI. With Sandi Toksvig, John Lloyd and Johnny Vegas. 6.20 The Riches. New series. The caper that centres Howard Hoxeter, Minnie Driver, Eddie Izzard, Mimi Rogers, Stephen Fry, Ben Kingsley and Alan Cumming. Hoxeter's brother, Eddie, is released from prison after the pressures of busted counter Theatre Colleagues. 7.00 Have Your Say. Have your say. After breaking up with Eddie, Jackie tries to reconnect with her family but she realises the end of her relationship when her ex-lover overlooked and she runs out of chips. 8.00 Portrait of Love. Featuring Justin Edwards, Hump Greenhalgh, Ian and Jess Hancock. (R) 8.30 Live. 9.00 Film: The Big Heat. (1953) Crime drama, starring Glenn Ford. 10.30 Close.

ITV1

6.00 GMTV. Mini GMTV. 9.25 GMTV. 9.25 Connection Street. (R) The Morning Service. 10.00 Mass. (R) 10.30 ITV News. Weather. 10.40 Film: Honey. (2003) Urban dance drama, starring Jessica Alba. 12.30 Film: Star Wars Episode III – Revenge of the Sith. (2005) Sci-fi adventure sequel, starring Hayden Christensen.

2.40 Regional Programmes. 3.15 ITV Local Weather. 3.20 Harry Hill's Top 5 of Top 5. Classic clips from previous series. 3.50 Pilot Guides. Dermot and Abby discover a cappuccino-filled breakfast treat. 4.20 This Life On. A musician and champion, a con artist, a car salesman and a street dancer try to impress 90 single women, and last week's couples go on their dates. Paddy McGuinness presents. 5.15 Deal or No Deal. Mick guests. Jackie during an up to the Cabot waterfalls and Brandy plays a practical joke on Mandy that everyone but the girl in the cafe. Comedy with Steve Pemberton. (R) 6.15 ITV Local Weather. 6.20 Film: Tea on Thursday. (2009) Jacki Anderson comedy, starring Steve Carell, Catherine Keener and Paul Rudd.

6.40 The Zone: ITV News Headlines. 6.45 The Stephen Nolan Show. 7.00 ITV Nightscreen. 9.00 ITV Morning News.

Channel 4

9.00 The Hoobs. (R) 9.30 The Hoobs. (R) 10.00 Passports on a Plane. (R) 10.30 GT Academy. (R) 11.00 The Mommy Line. 11.30 Ten Friends. (R) 12.00 Ten Friends. (R) 12.30 Ten Friends. (R) 1.00 The Big Bang Theory. (R) 1.30 The Big Bang Theory. (R) 2.00 Channel 4 Racing. 4.30 Come Dine with Me. 5.00 Come Dine with Me. 5.30 Come Dine with Me. 6.00 Come Dine with Me. 6.30 Come Dine with Me.

6.30 Channel 4 News. 7.00 Hollyoaks. 7.30 Film: Flight of the Phoenix. (2004) Fantasy comedy starring Ben Stiller and Robin Williams. 9.30 British Comedy Awards. Jonathan Ross hosts the 2010 annual ceremony, featuring new categories for Best Male and Best Female TV Comedian, a gold award to crown the King or Queen of Comedy, 2010. The British Comedy Awards: Live. Lochran on E4 at 11pm. 11.30 Alan Carr: Chatty Man. With Jonathan Ross, Kevin Bridges, Andi Whitehall and Adele. (R)

12.30 Film: Without a Trace. (2002) Cult thriller comedy with Richard E Grant and Paul McGann. 2.40 Old Ghost. (R) 3.40 Dirty Sexy Money. (R) 4.30 Beauty and the Geek. (R) 5.30 Countdown. (R)

Channel 5

9.00 Milkshake! 9.05 Animal Rescue Squad. (R) 9.30 Aussie Park. The True Story. (R) 9.55 Sounds of the Blitz: Revisited. (R) 10.00 Emergency Blues. (R) 10.30 Film: Legend Run. (1982) Sci-fi thriller, starring Michael York. 12.15 Film: Chaos. (1970) Western, starring John Wayne, Lee Van Cleef, Jack Elam. 2.00 Film: Knock. (1994) Crime thriller, starring John Wayne, Eddie Albert, Diana Muldaur, Colleen Dewhurst and David Huddleston.

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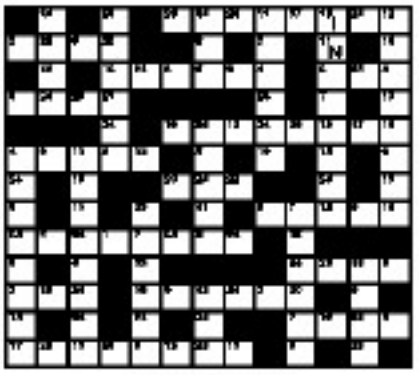

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

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Double Crossword

Crossword has quick or cryptic clues - both fit the same grid.

Cryptic Clues:

Across

7. Rural retreat centre for outdoor pursuits (9,6)
8. Hunting dogs while travelling (6)
9. Disgraceful disregard when solving this clue (8)
10. Battle for ant head (7)
12. Menace of the silent Hobbit (5)
13. The nasty way to get rid of the mice (3,4)
16. Perspective from a computer to an urgent (4)
18. Young politician has no right to be unsettled (4)
20. Provide one card across swapped (6)
22. Dance which is why at sachins (7,5)

Down

1. The bronx and tell (5)
2. Excitement caused by one more telling entertainment (6)
3. If film, I have to finish the equation (5)
4. Broken and upset (5)
5. His position on electric conservation (anagram) (9)
6. It may be the back leg on a mat (4)
11. Individual chews up matting season (8)
12. Aerial acrobat with a hairdo (6)
15. Believe one will agree to ride with them (5)
17. Is among those left on flight (5)
19. Princess take the Red Army (4)
21. Regretful sounding chimpanzoon (4)

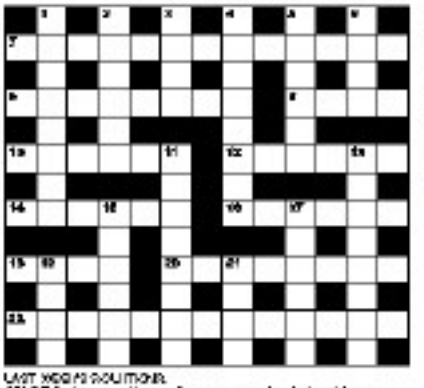
Quick Clues:

Across

7. League (1,2)
8. Chainsaw (9)
9. Mind (4)
10. Flight (5)
12. Prairie (4)
13. Partial (4)
16. Exclaim (4)
18. Inactive (4)
20. Point out (5)
22. Rail (7,5)

Down

1. Lawsuit (5)
2. Exertion (5)
3. Thought (4)
4. Unbelievable (4)
5. Skill (4,4)
6. Howdy (4)
11. Shape (4)
15. Building (5)
18. Forward (5)
17. Change (5)
19. Greatest (4)
21. Rail (4)



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Sudoku

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

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4				8				2
	2		1			3		9
7		1				5		4
9		6		5			2	
2				1				3
6	4				5	7		
		5			4		9	

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

Circlegram

Replace the question mark with a letter so that in each of the circles can be arranged to form words of a common theme. What are the three words, and how is the connection to the question mark?

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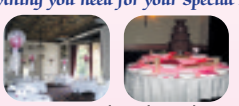

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Colin Firth is outstanding as the star of the King's Speech

Colin Firth delivers the performance of his life

Tears and laughter in Colin's crowning glory

THE KING'S SPEECH (12A)

Cinema

The British are coming!" famously declared screenwriter Colin Welland in 1982 when he collected his Oscar for Chariots Of Fire.

Nearly 30 years later, his prophecy seems to be coming true.

Slumdog Millionaire was the toast of Tinseltown in 2008, garnering almost every trophy in sight, and now The King's Speech is poised to do the same, and win Colin Firth a well-deserved Academy Award into the bargain.

Last year, the British actor was cruelly denied a golden statuette for his revelatory performance as a suicidal gay lecturer in Tom Ford's directorial debut, A Single Man.

This year, he should definitely practise his self-deprecating acceptance speech for this heartrending portrayal of King George VI in Tom Hooper's majestic comedy drama. On Sunday he picked up the Golden Globe for best actor in the awards given by Hollywood Foreign Press Association, which are seen as a good indicator for the Oscars.

Firth is matched laugh for laugh by Geoffrey Rush in imperious form, and the cream of homegrown acting talent provides illustrious support, including Timothy Spall as Winston Churchill.

The King's Speech is an impeccably crafted chapter from recent British history that charts a remarkable and unlikely friendship between two men from opposite sides of the class divide.

When King George V (Gambon) dies in 1936, eldest son Edward (Pearce) ascends to the throne, but his reign is shrouded in scandal as he continues to romance American divorcee, Wallis Simpson (Best).

Love triumphs over duty and Edward abdicates, forcing youngest son Albert (Firth) into the spotlight.

However, the newly crowned King George VI suffers from a crippling stammer, which renders him unable to deliver public addresses.

With war imminent and the country looking to its King for leadership, Queen Elizabeth (Helana Bonham Carter) approaches unconventional Australian-born speech therapist Lionel Logue (Rush) on the recommendation of a friend.

"She said your antipodean methods were both unconventional and controversial. Those are two of my favourite words," smiles Elizabeth, persuading Lionel to help her husband overcome his fears.

The King's Speech is a crowd-pleasing, heart-tugging gem, seen through the eyes of a man who is frightened to say a word for fear of what might – or might not – come out.

David Seidler's script elegantly dissects the relationship between monarch and commoner, creating memorable exchanges that provide the film with huge laughs and a strong emotional heartbeat.

Firth delivers the performance of his life, battling valiantly against his condition, while Rush is hysterical as the linguist who refuses any concessions to his king.

"My castle, my rules," he maintains.

"Their double-act is glorious, including an unforgettable barrage of expletives in the name of therapy.

"Do you know the f word?" asks Lionel.

"F. . . f. . . fornication?" replies Albert nervously.

The finale is guaranteed to have audiences cheering and sobbing with joy.

If The King's Speech is a sign of things to come in 2011 then it will be a very, very happy new year.

DVD

Old Celtic magic brings horror into 21st century

OUTCAST – CERT 18

Outcast is a wannabe horror film which draws on ancient Celtic tradition and is set among the modern landscape of a bleak high rise estate somewhere in Edinburgh.

The plot centres around a mysterious mother and son who move into one of the flats and are on the run from a deadly pursuer Cathal, played by a bearded James Nesbitt.

Using an ancient form of magic to keep themselves hidden from their hunter, Irish travellers Mary, played by Kate Dickie and her teenage son, Fergal – Niall Bruton, wind up in the dingy flat.

It seems their only neighbour is a family which includes the streetwise and pretty Petronella, a Scottish/Romany girl played by Hanna Stanbridge who befriends Fergal and finds him an oasis in the tangle of her life coping with her retarded brother and alcoholic mother.

Above Niall Bruton as Fergal with Hanna Stanbridge as Petronella.

Left Cathal, James Nesbitt, uses ancient ritual to hunt his prey.

Mary is extremely protective of her son and for good reason, for they hide a secret which when unleashed leaves a trail of dead bodies. She is dedicated to keeping her son out of the clutches of Cathal but now has the added complication of keeping him away from any romantic entanglement with Petronella.

Cathal using his own style of dark magic to hunt his quarry creating panic for Mary and her son as she discovers he is closing in.

Problems

Using her own blood and protective symbols around their new home Mary uses all her witch-like powers to keep prying eyes away and to avoid the inevitable showdown with their Van Helsing-style hunter.

One of the problems with this film is it never seems sure of what it is, it's not gory enough and takes itself too seriously to be a slasher movie.

It isn't really scary enough to be a full-blown horror film and doesn't really have enough special effects to be a sci-fi movie.

There are, as you can imagine, the set pieces of the minor characters wondering around the dark concrete landscape just waiting to be attacked.

You have to give it to director Colm McCarthy he does create a menacing arena with his shots of the bleak urban surroundings in which the characters dwell. However, Nesbitt is never fully convincing as the brooding hunter protected by the ancient symbols tattooed into his flesh as he goes on his quest.

He even comes over as a little incompetent as the one thing he is told about leaving a trail he forgets almost immediately.

Outcast doesn't really have the jump factor as a horror film and never really builds the tension high enough to keep you on the edge of your seat.

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Four-bed detached occupies corner plot

Number 25, Brisbane Way, Wimblebury, on the market for £320,000

A VERY well presented four-bed detached house occupying a corner plot on a popular residential development in Wimblebury is on the market.

Within walking distance of local schools, shops, amenities and within easy reach of major toll and trunk roads, 25, Brisbane Way is on the market for £320,000.

The property benefits from detached double garage, driveway parking for four r five vehicles, gas central heating, uPVC double glazing and is alarmed.

The property comprises a through reception hall with light points, double panel radiator stairs off to the first floor accommodation, power points, storage cupboard, solid wood flooring and doors off.

The guest cloak is fitted with spot lights, extractor fan, half height tiling to the walls, radiator, WC, pedestal wash hand basin and finished with a ceramic tiled floor.

The study has been fitted with beech finish storage and desk units, power points, spot lights, radiator and a telephone point.

The lounge features a stone finish fireplace with marble hearth and inset, living flame gas fire, coving to the ceiling, centre light points, uPVC double glazed bay window to the front elevation, telephone point, power points, two double panel radiators, TV aerial and satellite TV points and glass panel double doors giving access to the dining room.

The dining room has coving to the ceiling, light point, double panel radiator, power points and double glazed sliding patio doors affording access into the conservatory.

Constructed of a dwarf wall and white uPVC double glazed sealed unit, the conservatory is fitted with a light with fan attachment, power points, ceramic tiled floor and French doors giving access out to the rear garden.

Plinth

The breakfast kitchen has spot lighting, double panel radiator, ceramic tiled floor, uPVC double glazed bay with French doors out to the rear garden and opening into the kitchen area which is fitted with a wide range of limed oak finish wall and base units with wooden edged work surfaces and tiled splash backs, a sink/drainer with mixer taps, integral fridge/freezer, stainless steel electric double oven, integral dishwasher, gas hob with extractor hood over, power points, low level plinth electric fan heater, ceramic tiled floor and doors off to the hall, dining room and utility.

The utility comprises of limed oak finish base unit with wood edged work surface over and tiled splash back, sink / drainer with mixer taps, radiator, power points, ceramic tiled floor, wall mounted central heating boiler, plumbing for a washing machine and tumble dryer and access out to the side of the property.

The landing is approached via the turned staircase with spindle banister from the hallway, with coving to the ceiling, smoke alarm, power point, loft access hatch, airing cupboard and doors off.

The master bedroom is fitted with a wide range of wood fronted fitted wardrobes, dresser and drawer units and having a TV aerial point, power points, coving to the ceiling, light point, two radiators and an opening to the dressing area with a door to the en suite which comprises of fully tiled walls, chrome towel radiator, spot lights, beech built in storage unit with integral wash hand basin, WC, ceramic tiled floor and a quadrant shower cubicle with mains feed shower.

Bedroom two has fitted wardrobes with a matching over bed storage unit and dressing table, radiator, power points and a TV aerial point.

Bedroom three has built in wardrobes with matching over bed storage and dressing table units, power points, TV aerial point, coving to the ceiling, radiator, spot lights and a built in storage cupboard.

The fourth bedroom has a built in double wardrobe, coving to the ceiling, radiator, light point and power points.

The family bathroom is fitted with a pedestal wash hand basin, WC and a bath with a mains feed shower over, spot lights, radiator, ceramic tiled floor, half height tiling to the walls.

Occupying an open corner plot this property benefits from front and side gardens and ample off road parking. It has an area laid to lawn, with slate chipping filled shrub beds, a block paved frontage leads to the canopy entrance porch with courtesy light and to the side of the property there is a tarmac driveway giving parking for four to five vehicles and access to the double detached garage.

Borders

The rear garden is fully enclosed by fencing and having a block paved patio area with as footpath leading to the garage entrance door, a tap, decked seating area, an area laid to lawn with established shrub and ornamental tree borders and gated access to the side driveway.

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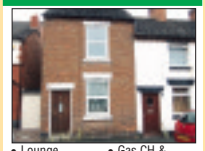
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- Dining room
- Kitchen and utility
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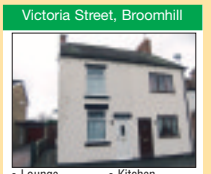
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- Lounge and One Bedroom
- Refitted Kitchen and Bathroom
- Own Garden and Communal Parking

Snowdon Road, Cannock £115,000
- Well Presented Semi Detached House
- Lounge, Kitchen, Dining Room, Conservatory
- Three Bedrooms and Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating
- Driveway and Garage

Hodnet Place, Heath Hayes £169,995
- Well Presented Detached Property
- Offering Generous Accommodation
- Three Bedrooms and Shower Room
- Landscaped and Private Rear Garden
- Viewing Essential to Appreciate

Langholm Drive, Heath Hayes £164,950
- Well Presented Link Detached House
- Extended to Offer Spacious Accommodation
- Lounge, Dining Room, Reffited Kitchen, WC
- Three Bedrooms & Reffited Bathroom
- Rear Garden, Driveway, Garage No Chain

Brook Vale, Cannock £124,950
- Well Presented Modern Semi Detached House
- Located Close to Cannock Town Centre
- Lounge, Kitchen/Diner & Cloakroom/WC
- Three Bedrooms and Bathroom
- Allocated Parking No Upward Chain

Southgate, Cannock £134,950
- Well presented spacious semi detached house
- Located in popular residential area
- Kitchen, utility, open plan lounge and conservatory
- Three bedrooms and bathroom
- Front and rear gardens, driveway

Rosemary Road, Cheslyn Hay £178,950
- Three Double Bedroom Semi Detached House
- Hall, Dining Room, Lounge, Refitted Kitchen
- Study, Utility Area, Cloakroom/WC
- Front and Rear Gardens, Large Drive
- MUST BE VIEWED

Bond Way, Hednesford £124,950
- Well Presented Semi Detached House
- Located on Popular Estate in Hednesford
- Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen
- Two Bedrooms and Bathroom
- Rear Garden & Garage

The Old Kings Arms Cottage, Hednesford £325,000
- Imposing Double Front Link Detached
- Full of Character and Charm
- Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing
- Hall, Lounge, Study, Kitchen, Conservatory
- Snug and Sitting Room/Potential Beds 4 & 5
- Three Bedrooms and Bathroom

Cross Street, Heath Hayes OIEO £160,000
- Well Presented Spacious Detached House
- Lounge, Kitchen/Diner, Utility and WC
- Three Good Size Rooms and Bathroom
- Matching Fitted Wardrobes in Bedroom One
- Garage, Driveway and Rear Garden

Elder Close, Heath Hayes £121,995
- Well Presented Semi Detached House
- Cul-de-Sac Location in Popular Area
- Lounge, Dining Kitchen
- Two Bedrooms and Bathroom
- Driveway for Off Road Parking

Longacres, Hednesford £79,995
- Well Presented Good Size First Floor Flat
- Lounge, Dining Area, Fitted Kitchen
- Two Bedrooms and Fitted Bathroom
- Garage and Driveway
- Views to Open Countryside to the Front

George Street, Hednesford OIEO £150,000
- Good Size Detached House
- Lounge/Diner, Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms and Bathroom
- Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating
- Good Size Rear Garden, Garage & Driveway

Wood Lane, Wedges Mills £220,000
- Well Presented Good Sized Detached House
- Situated in Sought after Location Overlooking Fields
- Lounge, Dining Room and Fitted Kitchen
- Four Bedrooms and Bathroom
- Driveway and Oversized Detached Garage

Cherry Brook, Norton Canes £159,950
- Modern Three Bedroom Detached
- Situated in Cul-de-sac Location
- Lounge & L Shaped Kitchen/Diner
- En-suite to Master Bedroom
- Driveway to Rear

Huntsmans Walk, Rugeley £149,950
- Well Presented Link Detached House
- Situated in Cul-de-sac Location
- Refitted Breakfast Kitchen, Lounge
- Large Double Glazed Conservatory
- Three Bedrooms & Refitted Bathroom

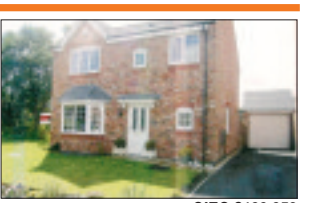
Glen Close, Cannock £114,950
- Well Presented Semi Detached House
- Hall, Fitted Kitchen, Lounge, Study
- Three Bedrooms and Shower Room
- Front and Rear Gardens with Store
- Gas Central Heating System

Bilberry Crescent, Huntington OIEO £145,000
- An Attractive Link Detached House
- Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms and Bathroom
- Driveway, Garage and Rear Garden
- Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing

Hatherton Road, Cannock £329,950
- Attractive Spacious Detached House
- Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen
- Utility, Cloak.WC, Five Bedrooms
- Bathroom, En Suite Shower, Gardens
- Garden Room, Double Glazing

Wood Lane, Wedges Mills £229,950
- Impressive Character Detached House
- Situated Popular Village Location
- Porch, Hall, Lounge, Dining Room
- Dining Kitchen, Cloakroom/WC
- 3 Bedrooms, Bathroom, Good Size

Pye Green Road, Cannock £119,950
- Traditional Semi-Detached Home
- Three Rec Rooms & Modern Kitchen
- Two Double Bedrooms & Bathroom
- Drive, Good Size Garden & Garage
- Viewing Essential. No Chain



Colliers Way, Huntington OIEO £199,950
- A Well Presented Detached Property
- Hall, Cloak/WC, Lounge, Dining Room
- Kitchen, Four Bedrooms, Bathroom
- En-suite Shower Room, Alarm
- Gas Central Heating, Double Glazing

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HEATH HAYES
DEAVALL WAY

- Unfurnished modern town house
- Hallway, lounge, fitted kitchen
- 3 bedrooms, bathroom, gas central heating
- Double glazing, parking, garden

£495 pcm Sorry No DSS

CANNOCK
OLD PENKRIDGE MEWS

- MOVE IN BEFORE JANUARY 31ST 2011 AND PAY NO RENT FOR JANUARY
- Unfurnished modern town house
- Hall
- Lounge
- Fitted kitchen
- Conservatory
- Two bedrooms, bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Allocated parking

£495 pcm Sorry No DSS

CANNOCK
HUNTINGTON TERRACE ROAD

- Unfurnished semi detached
- Hall, lounge, fitted kitchen
- Dining room, lounge, two bedrooms
- Bathroom, gas central heating, double glazing
- Parking, garden

475.00 pcm Sorry No DSS

HEDNESFORD
BLAKE CLOSE

- Unfurnished modern semi detached
- Lounge, fitted kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Garden
- Parking

£475 pcm Sorry No DSS

HEATH HAYES
LANCASTER HOUSE

- Unfurnished first floor flat
- Lounge, kitchen, 1 bedroom
- Bathroom, heating, allocated parking

395.00 pcm Sorry No DSS

GREAT WYRLEY
WALSALL ROAD

- Unfurnished traditional style semi
- Hallway, dining room, lounge
- Kitchen, verandah
- Small annexe
- 2 further bedrooms, family bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Parking and rear garden

£595 pcm Sorry No DSS

CANNOCK
CEMETERY ROAD

- Unfurnished two bed traditional semi detached house
- Lounge
- dining room
- Fitted kitchen
- Downstairs bathroom
- Double glazing
- Gas central heating

£395 pcm Sorry No DSS

RAWNSLEY
CHETWYND PARK

- Unfurnished modern semi detached
- Pleasant outlook to rear
- Lounge, dining area
- Fitted kitchen
- Conservatory
- Two bedrooms, bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Parking
- Gardens

£495 pcm Sorry No DSS

HUNTINGTON
REDWING DRIVE

- Unfurnished modern semi-detached
- Hallway, lounge, fitted kitchen
- 2 bedrooms, bathroom, double glazing
- Gas central heating, garden and parking

£495 pcm Sorry No DSS

BRIDGTOWN
WATERBROOK WAY

- Unfurnished modern semi
- Hallway, lounge, fitted kitchen
- 2 bedrooms, bathroom
- Double glazing, gas central heating
- Parking, garden

£475 pcm Sorry No DSS

HEDNESFORD
STONE PINE CLOSE

- Unfurnished modern detached
- Hallway
- Lounge
- Fitted kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Garage, garden

£575 pcm Sorry No DSS

CANNOCK
FOXES RAKE

- Unfurnished modern semi
- Hallway
- Lounge
- Fitted kitchen
- Three bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Parking, garden

£550 pcm Sorry No DSS

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RAWNSLEY
IRONSTONE ROAD

- Unfurnished flat
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- One bedroom
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Parking

£350 pcm Sorry No DSS

HEDNESFORD
ST STEPHENS COURT

- Unfurnished ground floor flat
- Entrance lobby
- Lounge, kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Heating
- Parking

£395 pcm Sorry No DSS

HEATH HAYES
PRIMROSE MEADOW

- Unfurnished modern semi detached
- Hallway, fitted kitchen
- Lounge
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Parking
- Garden

£475 pcm Sorry No DSS

CANNOCK
CAVANS CLOSE

- Unfurnished semi detached
- Hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Garden, parking

£450 pcm Sorry No DSS

HEDNESFORD
BROADHURST GREEN

- Unfurnished ground floor flat
- Lounge, kitchen
- 2 bedrooms, bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Small garden

£395 pcm Sorry no DSS

HEATH HAYES
ACORN CLOSE

- Unfurnished town house
- Hallway
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Heating
- Parking

£415 pcm Sorry No DSS

NORTON CANES
KNIGHTS COURT

- Unfurnished town house
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Allocated parking

£415 pcm Sorry No DSS

HUNTINGTON
BILBERRY CRESCENT

- Unfurnished semi
- 1st month £225
- Three bedrooms
- Hall, lounge
- Breakfast kitchen area
- Heating
- Bathroom
- Driveway
- Garage, garden

£550 pcm Sorry No DSS

HEDNESFORD
SUNLEY DRIVE

- Unfurnished detached property
- Hallway
- Guest wc
- Lounge
- Fitted kitchen with dining room off
- Three bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Parking, garden

£695 pcm Sorry No DSS

CANNOCK
STAFFORD ROAD

- Unfurnished semi detached
- Hallway, lounge
- Kitchen
- Utility
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Gardens, parking

£450 pcm Sorry No DSS

HEATH HAYES
PICASSO CLOSE

- Unfurnished ground floor flat
- Lounge
- Fitted kitchen
- One bedroom
- Bathroom
- Heating
- Double glazing
- Parking

£350 pcm Sorry No DSS

GREAT WYRLEY
SUNBEAM DRIVE

- MOVE IN BEFORE JANUARY 31ST 2011 AND PAY NO RENT FOR JANUARY
- Unfurnished maisonette
- Hall, lounge
- Fitted kitchen
- Three bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Parking
- Double glazing, heating

£450 pcm Sorry No DSS

CANNOCK
KENILWORTH COURT

- Unfurnished 1st floor flat, protected access
- 1 bedroom, kitchen, lounge, bathroom
- Heating, allocated parking space

£350 pcm Sorry No DSS

HEATH HAYES
REMBRANDT CLOSE

- Unfurnished modern semi detached
- Hallway
- Fitted kitchen
- Lounge
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Garden
- Parking

£450 pcm Sorry No DSS

HEDNESFORD
PLANTATION ROAD

- Unfurnished first floor flat
- One bedroom
- Hallway
- Fitted kitchen
- Lounge
- Bathroom
- Double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Driveway

£385 pcm Sorry No DSS

CANNOCK
ASCOT DRIVE

- Unfurnished semi-detached property
- 6 months only
- Hall, lounge
- Dining room
- Fitted Kitchen
- 3 bedrooms, bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Double glazing
- Garden, parking

£525 pcm Sorry No DSS

WIMBLEBURY
NELSON DRIVE

- Unfurnished ground floor flat
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- 1 bedroom, bathroom
- Double glazing
- Heating
- Parking

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CHICHESTER CLOSE RUGELEY

A two bedroomed end terraced property on a modern housing development benefiting from Gas Central Heating and UPVC double-glazing. Entrance Hall, Downstairs W.C, Fitted Kitchen and Lounge. Landing, Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway for several vehicles and Gardens to front and rear.

£120,000

SWAN CLOSE RUGELEY

A three bedroomed semi detached on a good sized plot in quiet cul de sac location.UPVC Double Glazing and Gas Central Heating.Accommodation comprises Hallway,Downstairs Shower Room,Lounge,Kitchen and Conservatory.Landing,Three Bedrooms and Bathroom.Driveway to front for several vehicles with Gardens to front and rear with Single Detached Garage.

£122,500

LOCKSIDE VIEW RUGELEY

A three bedroomed semi-detached benefiting from UPVC double-glazing and Gas central heating. Entrance Hall, Guest Cloakroom, Lounge, Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen. Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. SINGLE GARAGE. Gardens to front and rear.

£135,000

CATKIN WALK ETCHINGHILL

A refurbished three bedroomed link detached property. UPVC Double Glazing and Gas Central Heating. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Refitted Breakfast Kitchen. Landing, Three Bedrooms and Refitted Bathroom. Driveway leading to SINGLE GARAGE. Gardens to front and rear.

£139,995

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LODGE ROAD BRERETON

A three bedroomed detached property situated on a corner plot.UPVC Double Glazing and Gas Central Heating. Entrance Porch,Hallway, Lounge, Dining Room,Kitchen,Conservatory. Landing,Three Bedrooms and Bathroom.Gardens to front,side and rear with SINGLE DETACHED GARAGE and off road parking to rear.

£140,000

AVONLEA GARDENS ETCHINGHILL

UPVC double-glazed and Gas centrally heated. Entrance Hall, Lounge/Dining Room, refitted Kitchen, Utility Room and downstairs WC. Landing, Three Bedrooms and refitted Bathroom. SINGLE GARAGE with off-road parking. Gardens to rear.

£154,950

ARMITAGE ROAD RUGELEY

UPVC double glazed and Gas centrally heated. Entrance Porch, Lounge, Fitted Breakfast Kitchen, Conservatory. Landing, Three Good Sized Bedrooms and Bathroom. Ample off road parking to front. SINGLE GARAGE. Landscaped enclosed garden to rear.

£154,950

PINE VIEW RUGELEY

A three bedroomed detached property in cul de sac location.UPVC Double Glazing and Gas Central Heating. Accommodation comprises Entrance Hallway, Downstairs W.C, Lounge, Dining Room, Study Room, Breakfast Kitchen. Landing, Master Bedroom with Shower En Suite,Two further Bedrooms and Family Bathroom. Driveway to Garage and Gardens to front and rear.

£169,995

OLD EATON ROAD RUGELEY

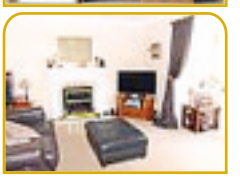
Offered with NO UPWARD CHAIN. Spacious detached bungalow on generous corner plot. Gas Centrally heated and Double-Glazed. Large Entrance Hall, Lounge/Dining Room, Sun Room, Breakfast Room, Fitted Kitchen, Bathroom, Two Bedrooms with Master having en-suite WC. Parking to side for several vehicles. Landscaped gardens to front, sides and rear.

£198,000

PUMP LANE RUGELEY

A two bedroomed detached bungalow benefiting from gas central heating situated on good sized plot. Entrance Porch, Reception Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen,Two Bedrooms, Bathroom and Seperate W.C. Driveway for two vehicles leading to Garage. Gardens to front, sides and rear. In need of upgrade.

£220,000



GREENACRES RUGELEY

Well presented family home. UPVC double glazed and gas central heating. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, Utility Room. Landing, Four Bedrooms, En-suite Shower Room and Family Bathroom. INTEGRAL SINGLE GARAGE with large driveway to frotn. Enclosed garden to rear.

£220,000

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HILL STREET RUGELEY

UPVC double-glazed and Gas centrally heated. Side Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Galley Kitchen and Downstairs WC. Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front and rear. Sectional Garage. NO UPWARD CHAIN

£123,995

NEW PRICE

THOMPSON ROAD BRERETON

UPVC double-glazed and Gas centrally heated. Entrance Hall, Lounge/Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen. Landing, Three Bedrooms and Shower Room. Off-road parking to front. Generous enclosed rear garden. NO CHAIN

£125,000

NEW PRICE

CHURCH STREET RUGELEY

A three bedroomed semi-detached benefiting from UPVC double glazing and gas central heating. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Galley Kitchen. Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Established gardens to front and rear. Rear Parking. NO UPWARD CHAIN.

£140,000

NEW PRICE

LION STREET RUGELEY

A three bedroomed semi detached property benefiting from Gas cental heating and part UPVC Double glazing. Entrance hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Utility, Shower Room. Landing, Three bedrooms and bathroom. Enclosed rear garden and small yard to front. INTERNAL VIEWING ESSENTIAL.

£143,000

NEW

WOODHEYES LAWNS ETCHINGHILL

UPVC double-glazed and Gas centrally heated. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Conservatory, Fitted Kitchen. Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Driveway to side. Gardens to front and rear.

£145,000

NEW

THORN CLOSE RUGELEY

A three/four bedroomed detached property in a cul de sac location. UPVC double-glazing and Gas Central Heating. Entrance Hallway, Downstairs Cloakroom, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen and Bedroom Four. Landing, Master Bedroom with En Suite Shower Room,Two further Bedrooms and Family Bathroom. Driveway for two cars. Gardens to front and rear.

£176,500

NEW PRICE

BEECHMERE RISE ETCHINGHILL

Entrance Hall, Laundry Room. First Floor Landing with Lounge, refitted Kitchen and Study/Bedroom Four, Shower Room. Second Floor Landing with Three Bedrooms, refitted Bathroom and Shower Room/WC. Attractive tiered rear garden onto woodland. Single Garage with ample parking.

£199,995

HAGLEY ROAD RUGELEY

A chance to purchase an individually designed detached dormer bungalow within walking distance to local amenities Entrance Porch, Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen, Downstairs Bathroom and separate WC. Ground Floor Bedroom. First Floor Landing with Two further Bedrooms. DETACHED GARAGE. Extensive gardens to rear with outbuilding/workshop. VIEWING ESSENTIAL TO APPRECIATE THE PLOT

£194,995

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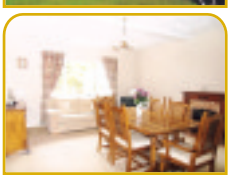


FORTESCUE LANE RUGELEY

A well presented three bedroomed detached bungalow in sought after location within walking distance to the town centre. UPVC double-glazed and Gas centrally heated. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Breakfast Kitchen, Utility Room, Conservatory. Three Bedrooms and large Bathroom. Ample-off road parking. Enclosed garden to rear. SECTIONAL GARAGE TO THE REAR

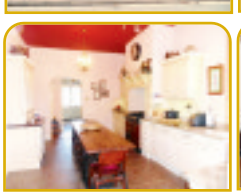
£249,950

TALBOT STREET RUGELEY

A spacious townhouse dating back to 1837 offering fexible accommodation with scope for further improvement. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Room, Family Room, Breakfast Kitchen, Utiliy Room Consevatory, Study Annexe. Landing, Four Bedrooms, Bathroom, Separate Shower Room, Large enclosed garden to rear. Coach-House located to the rear with potential for planning permission (subject to relevant approvals).

£399,950

NO CHAIN



CHURCH STREET RUGELEY

A unique opportunity to purchase a Victorian Georgian detached delightful townhouse within the town centre. Being sold as a whole with three self-contained apartments providing an annual income of approximately £15,000 per annum. In addition there is a seperate Coach house in need of refurbishment.

£515,000

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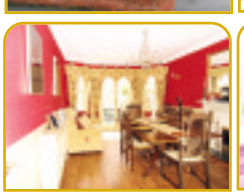

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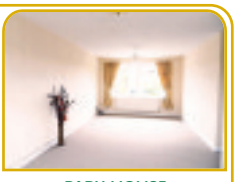
Part of a redeveloped property and offering completely refurbished accommodation situated within the town centre. Accommodation comprises of: Communal Entrance via a security system, Entrance Hall, Fitted Kitchen, Lounge, Two Bedrooms and Bathroom.
FEATURE BEAMS - VIEWING RECOMMENDED
NO PETS NO DSS

£450 PCM

SANKEY CRESCENT RUGELEY

A three bedroomed semi-detached. UPVC double-glazed and Gas centrally heated. Entrance Hall, Sitting Room, Lounge, Kitchen, Downstairs WC. Landing, Three Bedrooms and Wet Room. Gardens to front and rear. CASH BUYERS ONLY. In need of refurbishment

£65,000



PARK HOUSE RUGELEY

A two bedroomed second floor flat being refurbished to a high standard.UPVC Double Glazing and Gas Central Heating. Accommodation comprises Hallway,Lounge/Dining Room,Refitted Kitchen,Two Bedrooms and Bathroom.Off road parking and Communal Gardens. NO CHAIN

£79,950

ARCH STREET RUGELEY

A traditional terraced property benefiting from double-glazing and gas central heating. Accommodation comprises of Lounge, Dining Room, Kitchen with some appliances. Landing, Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Communal yard area to rear. Available Now
NO DSS NO PETS NO SMOKERS

£470 PCM

BRERETON MEWS BRERETON

A modern furnished ground floor purpose built apartment. Accommodation comprises Entrance Hall, Open plan Lounge/Kitchen with some appliances, Two Double Bedrooms and Bathoom. Allocated parking area. FIRST MONTHS RENT ONLY £350 !!
NO DSS NO SMOKERS NO PETS

£495 PCM

HOWELL MEWS RUGELEY

A Modern Apartment benefiting from Electric heating and Double Glazing. Well presented accommodation comprises Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen with some appliances,Two Bedrooms, Bathroom, En- suite Shower Room to master . Garage and Allocated parking space.
NO DSS NO SMOKERS NO PETS

£499 PCM

COPPICE ROAD RUGELEY

A refurbished three bedroomed semi detached property on a sought after development.UPVC Double Glazing Gas Central Heating.Entrance Hallway,Lounge,Dining Room,Refitted Kitchen,Utility Room and Downstairs W.C. Landing,Three Bedrooms and Refitted Bathroom.Gardens to front and rear.NO UPWARD CHAIN.

£86,000

PEAKES ROAD ETCHINGHILL

This two bedroomed ground floor apartment is located in a sought after location. Communal Hallway, Entrance Hall, Lounge/Dining Room, Fitted Kitchen, Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. GARAGE located in block to rear. Communal Gardens.

£109,950

PEAR TREE COURT RUGELEY

A modern second floor apartment with security entrance system. Communal Entrance Hall, Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen with some appliances, Two Bedrooms one having En-suite Shower room plus Bathroom. Allocated parking.

NO DSS NO SMOKERS NO PETS

£499 PCM

ROYAL CLOSE RUGELEY

A modern townhouse benefiting from Gas central heating and UPVC double-glazing. Entrance Hall, Lounge, Kitchen with appliances, Guest Cloakroom, Conservatory. Landing, Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Parking for two vehicles.
NO DSS NO SMOKING NO PETS

£525 PCM

EATON DRIVE RUGELEY

A modern two bedroomed property with Gas central heating and UPVC double-glazing. Guest Cloakroom, Kitchen with appliances, Lounge, Two Bedrooms and Bathroom. Single Garage and allocated parking.
NO DSS NO SMOKING NO PETS

£525 PCM

NEW ROAD ARMITAGE

A well presented two bedroomed ground floor apartment with off road parking. uPVC Double Glazing and Gas Central Heating. Accommodation comprises Breakfast Kitchen, Shower Room, Inner Lobby, Lounge and Two Bedrooms.

£109,995

HIGHLAND WAY RUGELEY

A three bedroomed semi detached situated on a corner position.Double Glazing and Gas Central Heating.Accommodation comprises Entrance Lobby,Lounge,Dining Room,Kitchen.Landing,Three Bedrooms,Bathroom and Seperate W.C.Gardens to front,side and rear with Driveway to Detached Garage.

£113,995

LEAHALL LANE BRERETON

UPVC double-glazed and gas centrally heated. Entrance Hall, Lounge/Dining Room, Kitchen. Landing, Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front and rear. Off-road parking leading to a Detached Sectional Garage.
NO UPWARD CHAIN

£119,950

WALNUT COURT BRERETON

Spacious semi-detched property benefiting from Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing. Accommodation comprises Entrance Hall, Lounge, Dining Kitchen with some appliances. Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Gardens to front & rear.
NO DSS NO SMOKERS NO PETS

£565 PCM

WATSON CLOSE RUGELEY

Modern detached property benefiting from Gas Central Heating and Double Glazing. Accommodation comprises of Entrance Hall, Kitchen with some appliances, Lounge, Guest Cloakroom. Three Bedrooms and Bathroom. Garden to rear. Off street parking.
NO DSS NO PETS NO SMOKERS

£565 PCM

BURNTHILL LANE RUGELEY

A four bedroomed detached comprising Entrance Hall, Guest Cloakroom, Lounge, Dining Room, Breakfast/Kitchen with some appliances, Utility Room. Landing, Four Bedrooms, En-suite Shower Room and Family Bathroom. Integral Garage. Gardens to front and rear.
NO DSS NO PETS NO SMOKERS

£699 PCM

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Station Road
Rugeley

- Two Bedroom Mid Terrace
- Potential for off road parking to rear
- Lounge
- Large Breakfast Kitchen
- Utility Area
- Downstairs Wetroom
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating
- Rear Garden

£89,950

Catkin Walk
Rugeley

- Mid Terrace
- Hallway
- Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Out House
- Off Road Parking

£90,000

Flaxley Road
Rugeley

- Well Presented
- Entrance Hall
- Lounge/Diner
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Utility
- Three Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating & UPVC Double Glazing (where specified)
- Front and Rear Garden

£95,000

Ballam Mews
Rugeley

- Two Bedroom Maisonette
- Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen
- Family Bathroom
- Garage Space
- Recently Refitted UPVC
- Double Glazing
- Viewings Highly Recommended

£99,950

Winstanley Place
Rugeley

- Well Presented
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Conservatory
- Three Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Off Road Parking
- Front & Rear Gardens

£99,950

Lower Birches Way
Rugeley

- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Conservatory
- Three Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Gas Central Heatig
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Attached Single Garage
- Off Road Parking
- Front & Rear Gardens

£135,000

Sycamore Crescent
Brereton

- Well Presented
- Semi Detached
- Lounge/Diner
- Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Single Garage
- Off Road Parking
- Front & Rear Gardens

£137,000

Woodthorne Close
Rugeley

- Extended Three Bedrooms
- Semi Detached Property
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Study
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Large Conservatory
- Family Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Single Garage
- Front & Rear Gardens

£139,950

Horsefair
Rugeley

- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Front & Rear Lounges
- Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms
- Shower Room
- Gas Central Heating
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Off Road Parking & Carport
- Large Rear Garden

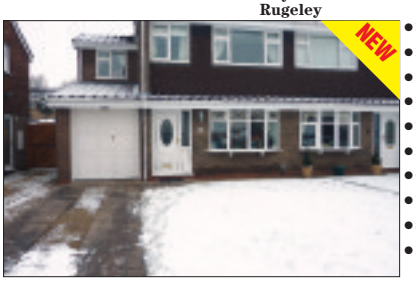
£139,995

Essex Drive, Rugeley

- Extended Semi Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Diningroom/Study/Playroom
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Lounge
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Detached Garage

£144,950

Woodheyes Lawns
Rugeley



- Lounge
- Diningroom
- Kitchen
- Utility
- Four Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Single Garage
- Front & Rear Gardens

£159,950

St Anthonys Close, Rugeley

- Well Presented
- Semi Detached
- Cul-de-sac Position
- Front Lounge
- Seperate Dining Room
- Utility Area
- Three Bedrooms
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Garage
- Driveway

£148,950

Bramble Cottage
Hill Ridware

- Well Presented
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Lounge Diner
- Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms
- En-suite
- Family Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating
- Hardwood Double Glazing
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Single Garage

£179,995

Forge Row
Slitting Mill

- Highly Sought After Village Location
- Lounge
- Dining room
- Kitchen
- Cellar
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Two Bedrooms
- Attic Space
- Landscaped Garden to Rear
- Rear Parking
- No Upward Chain

£185,000

Hampton Court
Rugeley

- Well Presented
- Detached
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Spacious Lounge
- Separate Dining room
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Four Bedrooms
- En-suite
- Family Bathroom
- Attached Garage
- Large Rear Garden
- Front Garden
- Utility
- Block Paved Driveway

£204,950

Giddywell Lane
Upper Longdon

- Panoramic Views
- Spacious Lounge
- Dining Room
- Kitchen
- Three Bedrooms
- Re-fitted Bathroom
- Front & Rear Gardens
- Double Glazed & Gas Central Heating
- Parking for Several Vehicles
- Viewing Highly Recommended

£205,000

Chester Road
Rugeley

- Entrance Hall
- Downstairs Cloakroom
- Lounge
- Dining Room
- Spacious Breakfast Kitchen
- Four Bedrooms
- En-suite
- Garage
- Gas Central Heating
- UPVC Double Glazing
- Open Views To Front

£225,000

Worcester Close
Rugeley

- Modern Four Bedroom Property
- Detached
- Dining Room
- Lounge
- Superb Breakfast Kitchen
- Conservatory
- Integral Garage
- 2 En-suites
- No Chain

£237,000

Sheepfair
Rugeley

- Opportunity to work from Home
- Spacious Lounge
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Dining Room
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Recently Refurbished Family Bathroom
- Gas Central Heating
- Extensive Workshop and Storage Area, Office, Utility, W.C, Carport
- Private Rear Garden

£279,000

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Old Fallow Road

£144,000

CANNOCK

- ★Three bedroom end town house
- ★Guest cloakroom
- ★Lounge
- ★Dining room
- ★Conservatory
- ★Fitted kitchen
- ★Family bathroom on the first floor
- ★Two bedrooms with fitted wardrobes
- ★Gas central heating & Double glazing
- ★Front & rear gardens

The Herries, Lea Road

£219,995

HIXON

- ★ Four bedroom detached dormer bungalow
- ★ Breakfast kitchen
- ★ Lounge with seperate dining area
- ★ Guest WC
- ★ Two ground floor bedrooms
- ★ Ground floor bathroom
- ★ Gas central heating
- ★ Double glazing
- ★ Gardens to front & rear

Attingham Drive

£249,950

HEATH HAYES, CANNOCK

- ★ Five bedroom detached executive home
- ★ Two reception rooms
- ★ Conservatory
- ★ Fitted kitchen
- ★ Utility room
- ★ Ground floor bedroom 5
- ★ Master bedroom with en suite shower room
- ★ Gas central heating & double glazing
- ★ Double detached garage

Little Tixall Lane

£155,000

GREAT HAYWOOD

- ★Two bedroom mid terraced cottage
- ★Fully refurbished by the current vendors
- ★Lounge with feature fireplace
- ★Fitted dining kitchen with integrated appliances
- ★Two double bedrooms
- ★Re-fitted large bathroom
- ★Double glazing and gas central heating
- ★Off road car parking to the rear
- ★Front & rear gardens

Greenfields

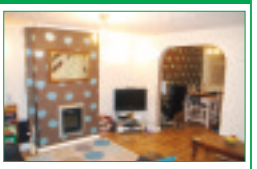
£159,950

HIXON

- ★ Spacious two bedroom bungalow
- ★ Entrance hallway
- ★ Lounge with feature fireplace fitted kitchen
- ★ Two bedrooms
- ★ Refitted bathroom
- ★ Two conservatories
- ★ uPVC double glazing and gas central heating
- ★ Rear garden have ample parking and cover for caravan/motor home and double tandem garage

Essex Drive

£162,500



GREAT HAYWOOD

- ★ Three bedroom semi detached home
- ★ Two reception rooms
- ★ Fitted kitchen
- ★ Re-fitted bathroom
- ★ Gas central heating
- ★ Double glazing
- ★ Front & rear gardens
- ★ Garage
- ★ Off road parking

Tylecote Crescent

£162,500

GREAT HAYWOOD

- ★ Three bedroom semi detached home
- ★ Through lounge
- ★ Fitted kitchen
- ★ Re-fitted bathroom
- ★ Gas central heating
- ★ Double glazing
- ★ Rear gardens
- ★ Full length carport
- ★ Garage
- ★ Off road parking

Lindenbrook Vale

£152,500

WILDWOOD, STAFFORD

- ★Three bedroom semi detached home
- ★Guests cloakroom
- ★Two reception rooms
- ★Fitted kitchen
- ★Re-fitted family bathroom
- ★Gas central heating & double glazed
- ★Front & rear gardens
- ★Off road parking & carport

Dickson Road

£165,000

STAFFORD

- ★ Three bedroom detached home
- ★ Downstairs Wc
- ★ Rear lounge
- ★ Conservatory
- ★ Fitted Kitchen
- ★ Family bathroom
- ★ Double glazed & gas central heating
- ★ Front & rear gardens
- ★ Off road car parking & garage facility
- ★ No Upward Chain

Marlborough Close

£172,500

GREAT HAYWOOD

- ★Three bedroom detached bungalow
- ★Fitted dining kitchen
- ★Lounge
- ★Dining room/bedroom 3
- ★Re-fitted shower room
- ★Well maintained lawned gardens
- ★Garage
- ★NO UPWARD CHAIN

Marlborough Close

£174,950

GREAT HAYWOOD

- ★ Three bedroom detached bungalow
- ★ Lounge
- ★ Fitted kitchen
- ★ Conservatory
- ★ Refitted bathroom
- ★ Multi purpose room
- ★ Gas central heating
- ★ Double glazing
- ★ NO UPWARD CHAIN

Hunters Close

£212,500

GREAT HAYWOOD

- ★Three storey semi detached family home
- ★Four bedrooms
- ★Master bedroom with en-suite bathroom
- ★Lounge with feature fireplace
- ★Fitted dining kitchen with integrated appliances
- ★Double glazed & Gas central heating
- ★Rear garden with decked area
- ★Garage

Long Lane

£275,000

DERRINGTON, STAFFORD

- ★ Extended four bedroom semi detached home
- ★ Dining room with feature Multi-fuel burner
- ★ Fitted kitchen with separate utility room
- ★ Ground floor shower room
- ★ Bedroom two with en-suite shower room
- ★ Re-fitted family bathroom
- ★ Double glazing (where specified)
- ★ Central heating
- ★ Car port & tandem garage
- ★ NO UPWARD CHAIN

Stafford Road

£207,495

CANNOCK

- ★Three bedroom detached home
- ★Spacious through lounge
- ★Fitted kitchen with breakfast bar
- ★Side veranda
- ★Family bathroom
- ★Gas central heating
- ★Double glazing
- ★Well presented gardens to the rear
- ★Off road parking

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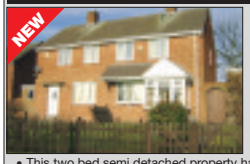
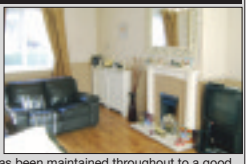
SATURN ROAD, CANNOCK
A 3 BED SEMI DETACHED





• This two bed semi detached property has been maintained throughout to a good order and is well presented. It would suit a first time buyer or as a family home. Viewing is highly recommended to appreciate the accommodation on offer.

£123,000 OFFERS INVITED

MOUNT STREET, HEDNESFORD
A 2 BED TERRACED

• This 2 bed terraced property would make an ideal first time buy and must be seen to be appreciated. It has two reception rooms which provides ample living space and benfits from no upward chain.

£94,950

WANTED!
WE REQUIRE 3 BED PROPERTIES IN GREAT WYRLEY & CHESLYN HAY AREAS UPTO £175,000 BUYERS WAITING!

STAFFORD STREET, HEATH HAYES
INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY

• This property has been converted into 2 x one bedroom flats which can be rented for £450pcm each. It has ample parking and has a detached double width garage to the rear. No upward chain.

£150,000

MOUNTAIN PINE CLOSE, HEDNESFORD
A 3 BED SEMI DETACHED

• This 3 bed semi detached property would make an ideal family home, it is well presented and has been maintained to a good standard throughout. Viewing is essential to appreciate.

£135,000

BOND WAY, HEDNESFORD
A 2 BED SEMI DETACHED

OPEN DAY SAT 29TH JANUARY 1-

• This 2 bed semi detached property would make an ideal first time buy or buy to let investment purchase. It is well presented throughout and has ample off road parking. Viewing is essential.

£119,950

WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, CANNOCK
A 3 BED SEMI DETACHED

OPEN DAY SAT 29TH JANUARY 12-1PM

• This 3 bed semi detached is Victorian in style and has ample living space ideal for a family home. It is well presented throughout and viewing is highly recommended to appreciate.

£124,995

LANGHOLM DRIVE, HEATH HAYES
A 3 BED LINK DETACHED

OPEN DAY SAT 29TH JANUARY 12-1PM

• This 3 bed link detached property offers excellent value for money and is located in the heart of Heath Hayes village within walking distance to all local amenities. Viewing is essential.

£130,000

BELT ROAD, CANNOCK
A 2 BED DETACHED BUNGALOW

• This detached bungalow offers ample living space ideal for a family home. It benefits from a study and a conservatory. Viewing is essential to appreciate the accommodation on offer.

£199,950

HORSESHOE DRIVE, WIMBLEBURY
A 3 BED MODERN STYLE TERRACED

• This 3 bed property would make an ideal family home and is located in a popular area of Wimblebury. It has off road parking to the rear and is well presented throughout. Viewing is essential.

£139,950

WIMBLEBURY ROAD, HEATH HAYES
A 3 BED SEMI DETACHED

• This property offers excellent value for money it has a village location and attractive views to front of open fields. The vendor is highly motivated to sell and viewing is essential to appreciate.

£120,000

WANTED!
WE REQUIRE MODERN STYLE PROPERTIES IN ANY LOCAL AREA UPTO £145,000 BUYERS WAITING!

STAGBOROUGH WAY, HEDNESFORD
A 4 BED DETACHED

• This property offers good value for money, it benefits from no upward chain and the vendors are highly motivated to sell. It is located in a popular residential area of Hednesford and must be seen.

£169,950 OFFERS INVITED

KINGSWOOD DRIVE, NORTON CANES
A 3 BED LINK DETACHED

• This property would make an ideal family home, it has a generous size conservatory to the rear and the original garage has been converted to a dining room giving ample living space. Must be seen.

£159,999

ST LAWRENCE DRIVE, HEATH HAYES
A 4 BED DETACHED

• This property offers good value for money and would make an ideal family home, the original garage has been converted to a dining room giving added living space. Must be seen.

£200,000

WARDLES LANE, GREAT WYRLEY
A 4 BED SEMI DETACHED

• This property must be seen it is deceptively spacious and well presented throughout. It would make an ideal family home and has ample living space. Viewing is essential to appreciate.

£165,950 OFFERS INVITED

BROWNHILLS ROAD, NORTON CANES
A 2 BED SEMI DETACHED

• This property would make an ideal family home, it is well presented throughout and offers good value for money. Viewing is essential to appreciate the accommodation on offer.

£109,950

CANNOCK ROAD, CANNOCK
A 2 BED MID TERRACED

OPEN DAY SAT 22ND JANUARY 12-2PM

• This 2 bed Victorian Style mid terraced would make an ideal purchase for a first time buyer. The property has ample living space with two reception rooms and parking to the rear for two cars.

£87,950

PHEASANT WAY, HEATH HAYES
A 4 BED 3 STOREY TOWN HOUSE

• This property has ample living space located over three storeys. The vendors are highly motivated to sell and would consider a part exchange for a smaller property located in Great Wyrley area.

OFFERS OVER £168,000

CROSS STREET, HEATH HAYES
A 3 BED DETACHED HOUSE

• This detached property would make an ideal family home, it offers good value for money and must be seen to be appreciated. It is located in the heart of Heath Hayes village close to all amenities.

£159,995

WOOTTONS COURT, CANNOCK
A 1 BED FIRST FLOOR FLAT

• This flat is in a superb location within walking distance to Cannock town centre and all local amenities, It would make an ideal first time buy or investment property and benefits from no chain.

£74,950

BURGOYNE STREET, CANNOCK
A 3 BED SEMI DETACHED

• This 3 bed semi detached has a generous size rear garden which is beautifully landscaped. This property would make an ideal family home and the vendors are highly motivated to sell.

£125,000 MAKE ME AN OFFER

WANTED!
WE REQUIRE PROPERTIES IDEAL FOR FIRST TIME BUYERS UPTO £110,000 SEVERAL BUYERS WAITING!

CARLTON CLOSE, HEATH HAYES
A 2 BED SEMI DETACHED

• This property must be seen to be appreciated, it is well maintained throughout and is located on a corner plot with block paved driveway ideal for several cars. It also has a cul de sac location.

£119,950

ALMOND CLOSE, HEATH HAYES
A 2 BED MID TERRACED

• This property is an ideal purchase for a first time buyer and is well presented throughout. The vendors are highly motivated to sell and are willing to pay £500 towards the purchasers legal fees.

£110,000

WANTED!
WE REQUIRE BUNGALOWS IN ANY LOCAL AREA UPTO £175,000 BUYERS WAITING!

CHANCERY DRIVE, HEDNESFORD
A 3 BED LINK DETACHED

• This 3 bed property offers excellent value for money and is well maintained to a high standard throughout. The vendor is highly motivated to sell and this property must be seen to be appreciated.

£140,000 MAKE ME AN OFFER

GLEN CLOSE, CANNOCK
A 3 BED SEMI DETACHED

• This 3 bed property would make an ideal family home and offers good value for money. It is located in a cul de sac and is within easy reach to local amenities. Viewing is highly recommended.

£114,950

GREENSLADE GROVE, HEDNESFORD
A 2 BED GROUND FLOOR FLAT

TO LET

• This 2 bed ground floor flat is offered for rental unfurnished and is well presented throughout. Viewing is highly recommended to appreciate the accommodation on offer. Sorry no DSS accepted.

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WANTED

Mr & Mrs G have sold their property and needs four bedrooms and a double garage in Shoal Hill or Burntwood.
Can you help?
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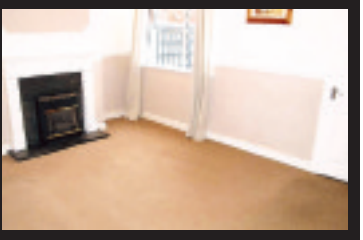
Littleworth Road, Hednesford



£85,000

- A Three Bedroom Terraced Property
- Separate Lounge & Dining Room
- Front Garden
- Double Glazing & Central Heating
- OFFERED FOR SALE WITH NO UPWARD CHAIN

Wolverhampton Road, Shareshill

£249,950 NEW

- Three Bedroom Barn Conversion
- Sought after Semi Rural Location
- Ensuite and Dressing Room to Master Bedroom
- Off Road Parking
- No Upward Chain

Silver Birch Road, Norton Canes

Offers Over £105,000

- Internal Viewing Essential
- Two Double Bedrooms
- Spacious Lounge
- Upstairs Fitted Bathroom Suite
- Double Glazing And Central Heating (Both Where Specified)
- Deceptive Rear Garden

WANTED

Mr & Mrs H are first time buyers are keen to buy a three bedroom house in Heath Hayes or Norton Canes with parking and a large garden.
Can you help?
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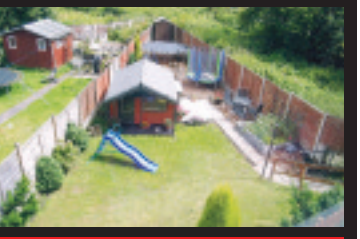
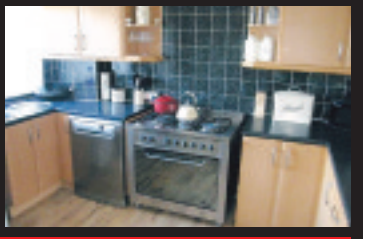
Laburnum Close, Cannock



Offers Over £105,000 NEW PRICE

- Three bedroom semi detached house
- Entrance hallway
- Lounge and kitchen diner
- Generous rear garden
- Close proximity to Cannock town
- Well presented throughout
- First floor bathroom and separate w/c

Cannock Road, Heath Hayes



£120,000 NEW PRICE

- Well Presented Three Bedroom Detached Family Home
- Lounge, Conservatory
- Dining Kitchen
- Upstairs Family Bathroom
- Double Glazing And Central Heating
- Driveway

WANTED

Miss H & Mr J are looking for a three bedroom property in Heath Hayes, requires a garage for his tools.
Can you help?
Call
01543 503678

Park View Terrace, Rugeley

Offers IEO £100,000

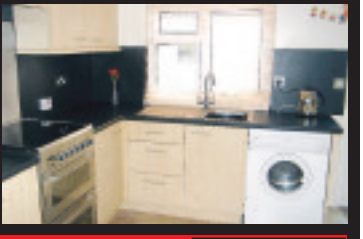
- Three bedrooms
- Refitted kitchen diner
- Refitted bathroom
- Ideal first purchase
- Off road parking to the rear

Heather Road, Hednesford

£87,950 NEW PRICE

- No Chain
- Three Bedrooms
- Fitted Dining Kitchen
- Upstairs Bathroom
- Enclosed Rear Garden
- Garage And Driveway

The Pines Homes Park, Huntington



£85,000 NEW PRICE

- Two bedroom Park Home
- No upward Chain
- Off Road Parking
- Refitted Kitchen
- Refitted Bathroom
- Viewing Essential

WANTED

Mr & Mrs G are looking to buy a houseor bungalow in Penkridge, they would like something with spacious living areas and bedrooms.
Can you help?
Call
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Brooke Road, Hednesford

OIEO £85,000 NEW PRICE

- A Semi Detached Property
- Two Bedrooms
- Through Lounge Dininig Room
- Kitchen
- Enclosed Rear Garden
- Central Heating (where specified)

Newlands Lane, Heath Hayes

£300,000

- A Detached Bungalow
- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Converted Detached Garage
- Two Conservatories
- Central Heating & Double Glazing (where specified)

WANTED

Miss G wants to buy a bungalow in Chadsmoor on Moreton Street, Arthur Street, Camelot Close, Muldoon Close or Cannock Road.
Can you help?
Call
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Lime Close, Great Wyrley

Offers over £170,000 NEW

- Internal Viewing Essential
- A Well Presented Three Bedroom Link Detached Family Home
- Lounge, Dining Room
- Conservatory
- Fitted Kitchen, Utility Room
- Double Glazing And Central Heating (Where Specified)

WANTED

Mr & Mrs S have sold their house and want to buy a four bedroom house in Burntwood or Chase Terrace.
Can you help?
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Lilac Avenue, Cannock

£80,000

- No Upward Chain
- Three Bedrooms
- Fitted Kitchen
- Downstairs Fitted Bathroom
- Deceptive Rear Garden
- Driveway

St Johns Close, Cannock

Offers over £105,000

- Three Bedroom Semi Detached Property
- Lobby & Entrance Hall
- Lounge & Dining Area
- Three Bedrooms
- Front & Rear Garden
- Internal Viewing Recommended

WANTED

Miss W is looking to buy a three bedroom house close to Cardinal Griffin School.
Can you help?
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Burleigh Close, Hednesford

£200,000 NEW

- Internal Viewing Essential
- A Very Well Presented Detached Family Home
- Two Reception Rooms
- Conservatory
- Fitted Kitchen, Utility Room
- Four Bedrooms
- En-suite To Master Bedroom
- Fitted Family Bathroom
- Garage And Driveway

WANTED

Mr W has nothing to sell and wants to buy a three bedroom detached in Five Ways School catchment area.
Can you help?
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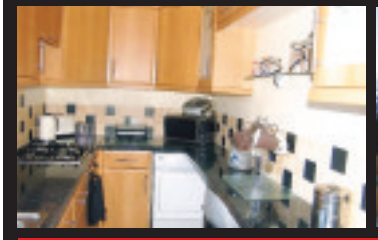
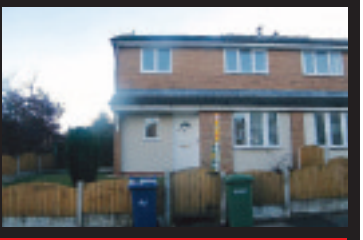
Apple Walk, Heath Hayes





£100,000 NEW

- Ideal First Time Purchase
- Refitted Kitchen
- Through Lounge
- Refitted Bathroom
- Two Bedrooms
- Double Glazing (Where Specified)
- Garden And Allocated Parking

Norton East Road, Cannock

£94,950

- Three bedrooms
- Lounge, Kitchen Diner
- Bathroom
- Off road parking to the front
- Gardensto the front and rear

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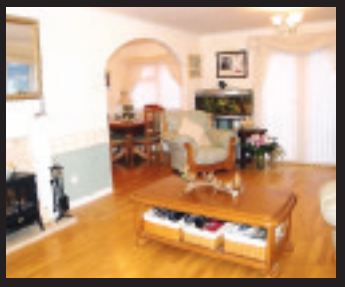
Cavans Wood Park, Ling Road

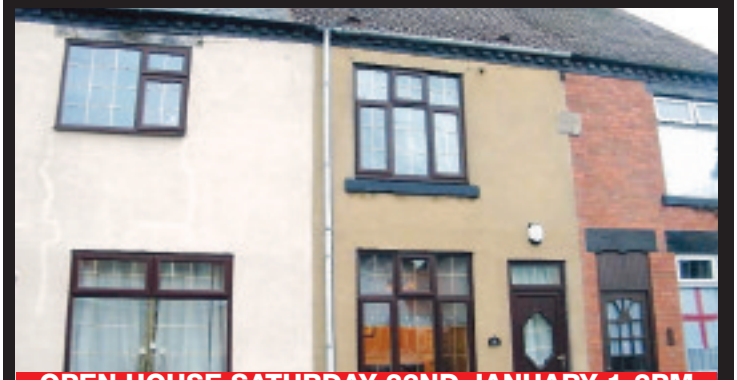


OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY 22ND JANUARY 11-12PM

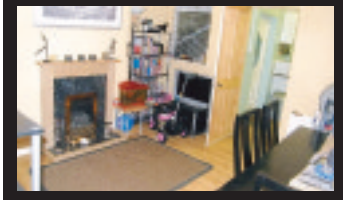
Offers Over £82,000 NEW

- Internal Viewing Essential
- A Well Presented Two Bedroom Park Home
- Spacious Lounge
- Dining Area
- Fitted Kitchen
- En-suite Shower Room To Master Bedroom
- Fitted Bathroom Suite
- Double Glazing And Central Heating (Both Where Speciified)
- Two Allocated Parking Spaces

Stafford Street



OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY 22ND JANUARY 1-2PM



£105,000 NEW

- Ideal First Time Purchase
- Two Reception Rooms
- Fitted Dining Kitchen
- Fitted Bathroom
- Three Bedrooms
- Double Glazing And Central Heating (Where Specified)
- Rear Courtyard And Driveway

Gorsey Lane, Greay Wyrley

OPEN HOUSE SATURDAY 22ND JANUARY 3.30-4.30PM

Offers over £175,000 NEW PRICE

- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Refitted Kitchen
- Refitted Bathroom With Jacuzzi Bath
- Double Glazing And Central Heating
- Driveway And Garage
- Enclosed Rear Garden

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New Penkridge Road, Cannock

Offers Over £475,000 — NEW PRICE

- Executive style four double bedroom detached residence
- Prime residential location
- Extremely well proportioned living accommodation
- Very generous plot front and rear
- Luxury bathroom and en-suite to master
- Ideal family home, viewing highly advised
- Lounge, separate dining room, study, hallway
- Rarely available, viewing essential

Nirvana Close, Cannock

£360,000 — NEW

- Four Bedroom Detached Family Home
- Two Reception Rooms
- Fitted Dining Kitchen
- En-suite Shower Room To Master
- Refitted Family Bathroom
- Enclosed Rear Garden
- Double Garage
- Block Paved Driveway
- Double Glazing And Central Heating (Where Specified)

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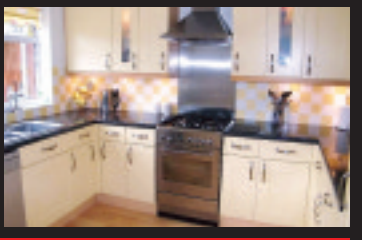
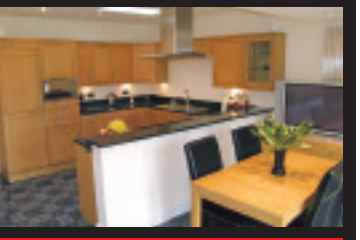
Barnswood Close, Cannock



£270,000

- A Detached Corner Plot Property situated in a sought after location
- Four Bedrooms, refitted family bathroom
- Quiet Cul-de-sac Location and Looks onto Green Wood.
- Excellent decorative order, Viewing Essential,
- Parking for Several Vehicles
- Convenient for Local Schools
- Inspection Highly Recommended

Norton Lane, Great Wyrley



Offers over £300,000 — NEW PRICE

- Three/ Four bedroom immaculate detached bungalow
- Lounge, and open plan kitchen diner
- Study, Family bathroom and en-suite
- Single garage and ample parking
- Immaculately presented throughout
- Rear garden.

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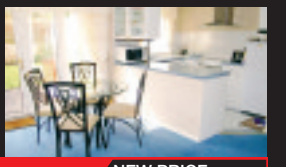
Greenacres, Rugeley

Offers over £190,000 NEW PRICE

- Situated on a private road
- Four bedroom detached family residence
- Separate lounge and dining room
- Conservatory and breakfast kitchen
- En-suite to master bedroom

Chancery Drive, Hednesford



£130,000 NEW PRICE

- Three bedroom semi-detached house
- Lounge with feature fireplace
- Open plan kitchen diner
- Entrance hallway with storage, first floor bathroom
- Enclosed rear garden
- Single garage and driveway

St Johns Road, Cannock

£79,850 NEW PRICE

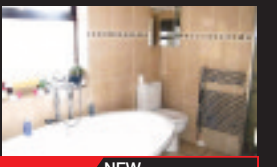
- No Upward Chain
- Two Bedrooms
- Loft Room
- Lounge, Kitchen
- Driveway
- Rear Garden

Tile Cross Road, Birmingham

£77,500

- Well Presented Three Bedroom Maisonette
- Double Glazed (where specified)
- Garden to the Rear
- Internal Viewing Highly Recommended
- No Chain

Belt Road, Henesford



£210,000 NEW

- Two Bedroom Detached Family Bungalow
- Through Hall, Lounge, Dining Room
- Two Bedrooms
- Refitted Dining Kitchen And Utilty Room
- Refitted Bathroom With Separate Shower Cubicle
- Off Road Parking to Both Sides of the Property
- Garage, Front, Rear and Side Gardens

PART EXCHANGE?

MR & MRS C HAVE A THREE BEDROOM LINK DETACHED IN HEDNESFORD AND ARE LOOKING TO SWAP THIS FOR A THREE BEDROOM BUNGALOW IN HEDNESFORD.
CAN YOU HELP?
CALL LESLEY ON
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WANTED

Miss M wants to buy a three bedroom detached property in Cannock two centre, ideally with parking and a garage.
Can you help?
Call Matt on
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WANTED

WE URGENTLY REQUIRE HOUSES IN PENKRIDGE.
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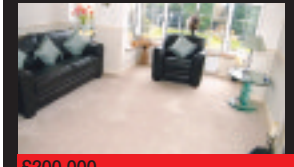
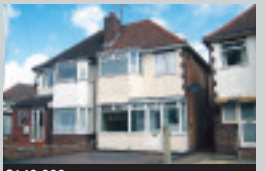
Heath Street, Hednesford



£200,000 NEW PRICE

- A Deceptivley Spacious Detached Family Home
- Corner Plot, Double Garage, Block Paved Driveway
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Immaculate Condition, A Must See

Deepdale Avenue, Sheldon



£140,000

- Three Bedroom Semi Detached Property
- Front and Rear Gardens
- Double Glazed and Gas Central Heated (where specified)
- Fitted Kitchen
- No Chain

Penny Court, Great Wyrley

£55,000 NEW

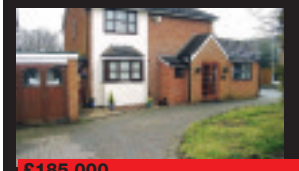
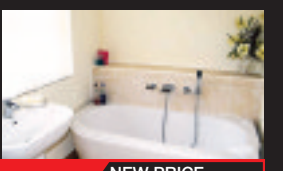
- No Upward Chain
- A Two Bedroom Ground Floor Flat
- Lounge
- Fitted Kitchen
- Fitted Bathroom
- Double Glazing (Where Specified)

Telford Avenue, Great Wyrley

Offers Over £130,000 NEW PRICE

- Three bedroom semi detached house
- Popular village location close to amenities
- Lounge, separate dining room and study
- Kitchen and separate utility room
- Enclosed rear garden and driveway to side providing parking
- No onward chain

Butts Close, Norton Canes

£185,000 NEW PRICE

- Three / Four bedroom Detached.
- Lounge , separate dining room.
- Ground floor bedroom / sitting room
- Fitted kitchen and utility room
- Ground floor cloakroom
- Recently re-fitted en-suite shower room
- Recently re-fitted family bathroom
- Single garage and in-out driveway
- Enclosed rear garden with decking.
- lovely family home.

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Benion Road, Chadsmoor, Cannock

£64,950 NEW INSTRUCTION

Three bedroom semi detached house with no upward chain. Comprising: entrance hall, guest wc, lounge, kitchen diner, bathroom, central heating, double glazing, driveway with garage, front and rear gardens.

Blake Close, Cannock

£92,000 NEW PRICE

Two bedroom mid town house comprising lounge, kitchen, bathroom, electric heating, double glazing and garage located in a separate block.

Park Street, Bridgtown, Cannock

£95,000 NEW PRICE

Modern top floor purpose built apartment still covered under the NHBC guarantee. Comprising: entrance hall, open plan lounge diner and kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom. Benefitting from double glazing

St. Johns Road, Cannock

£95,000

Three bedroom end of terraced property for sale with no upward chain. Comprising of refitted kitchen, bathroom and two reception rooms. Rear garden and off road parking to the rear.

Heath Street, Hednesford

£95,000 NEW INSTRUCTION

Ideal first time / Investor opportunity.Two bedroom semi detached property. The property comprises lounge, kitchen, utiity, bathroom, one bedroom with shower room off and garden to rear. No chain

Cherry Tree Road, Norton Canes

£99,000 NEW INSTRUCTION

Three bedroom extended mid terraced house comprising guest wc, lounge diner, dining room, refitted breakfast kitchen, refitted bathroom and benefitting from central heating and double glazing

Pheasant Way, Heath Hayes, Cannock

£99,950 NEW PRICE

Two bedroom ground floor apartment with no upward chain. Comprising: open plan lounge and kitchen, bathroom and parking. Benefititing from double glazing, electric heating and NHBC guarantee.

Stafford Road, Cannock

£105,000 NEW PRICE

Three bedroom semi detached house comprising: entrance hall, lounge, kitchen diner, conservatory, bathroom, front and rear gardens and rear parking.

Staley Croft, Cannock

£102,950 NEW INSTRUCTION

★★ NO UPWARD CHAIN ★★Semi detached property comprising ; lounge , kitchen diner , conservatory , three bedrooms and bathroom , front and rear garden , driveway to front.

Lyndhurst Road, Heath Hayes

£95,000

A traditional mid terrace home offering lounge diner, kitchen, downstairs bathroom, three bedrooms, double glazing and central heating

Melbourne Road, Heath Hayes

£104,995 NEW INSTRUCTION

Three bedroom semi detached house comprising: lounge diner, kitchen, bathroom with separate toilet, benefiting from central heating and double glazing. This would make an ideal first time buyer property

Stafford Road, Huntington

£100,000

Two bedroom period terraced property ideal for first time buyer comprising of open plan lounge, kitchen, bathroom, loft room, central heating, double glazing.

Rowley Close, Hednesford

£105,000

Three bedroom semi detached with large driveway and rear garage comprises: kitchen/diner, lounge, conservatory, utility/wc, bathroom, rear garden & driveway

Cannock Road, Blackfords

£108,000

Semi detached house comprising: lounge, dining room, refitted kitchen, refitted bathroom, three bedrooms, off road parking, central heating and double glazing

Trent Road, Cannock

£108,000 NEW PRICE

Three bedroom semi detached comprising lounge, kitchen dining room, bathroom, enclosed rear garden and off road parking, central heating and double glazing

Mill Crescent, Heath Hayes

£115,000

Modern two bedroom end-terrace house comprising kitchen, lounge and bathroom. Enclosed rear garden and parking to the front. Benefiting from double glazing

Foxes Rake, Cannock

£116,000 NEW PRICE

Viewing recommended on this modern semi detached. The property comprises kitchen, lounge, two bedrooms , bathroom, garden to rear and driveway to the side

Holt Crescent, Heath Hayes

£119,995 NEW INSTRUCTION

Viewing is recommended on this modern mid town house. Comprising: entrance hall, lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom, allocated parking, front and rear gardens.

Van Gogh Close, Heath Hayes

£120,000 NEW INSTRUCTION

Well presented end terraced property omprising lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and family bathroom. Front and rear gardens with driveway to side.

Cannock Road, Heath Hayes

£120,000 NEW PRICE

A well presented three bedroom semi detached comprising lounge, fitted dining kitchen, conservatory, bathroom, rear garden, block paved driveway, benefiting from central heating and double glazing

Keats Avenue, Cannock

£125,000 NEW INSTRUCTION

Traditional two bedroom semi detached property comprising lounge, kitchen, bathroom, driveway providing off road parking, rear garden and benefiting from central heating, double glazing and no upward chain.

Bridge Avenue, Cheslyn Hay

£125,000 NEW INSTRUCTION

Three bedroom semi detached property. The accommodation briefly comprises of a lounge, dining room, fitted kitchen, fitted bathroom, garage and driveway. No chain

Bridges Road, Norton Canes

£130,000 NEW INSTRUCTION

Semi detached property comprises lounge ,dining room, kitchen, utility room, three bedrooms and family bathroom. Rear garden and driveway to the front.

The Meadows, Cannock

£135,000 NEW INSTRUCTION

Well presented modern mews property comprising kitchen, guest wc, lounge, bathroom, two bedrooms, rear garden and allocated parking to the front. Double glazing and central heating

Pillaton Drive, Huntington

£145,000 NEW INSTRUCTION

Well presented three bedroom semi detached property. The property comprises: lounge, kitchen, conservatory and bathroom . Low maintenance gardens with driveway and garage.

Littlewood Road, Cheslyn Hay, Walsall

£150,000 NEW INSTRUCTION

Extended three/four bedroom semi detached house. Comprising: lounge, kitchen diner, guest cloakroom, bathroom and bedroom four/study. Benefiting from central heating, double glazing, driveway and rear garden.

New Horse Road, Cheslyn Hay

£163,000 NEW INSTRUCTION

Three bedroom semi detached dormer bungalow close to local amenities, lounge / dining room, kitchen, utility room, bathroom, rear garden, garage, driveway.

Stephenson Way, Hednesford

£165,000

A detached property comprising guest wc, lounge, kitchen/diner, ensuite, three bedrooms, bathroom, rear garden, detached garage and driveway. No chain

Butts Close, Norton Canes

£185,000 NEW INSTRUCTION

Extended linked detached house with no upward chain. Comprising:refitted downstairs shower room, lounge, dining room, refitted kitchen diner with utility room, four bedrooms, en-suite shower room and refitted bathroom.

Michigan Close, Heath Hayes, Cannock

£190,000 NEW INSTRUCTION

Three/four bedroom detached house. Comprising: lounge, dining room, study, breakfast kitchen with utility conservatory, refitted en-suite shower room, and refitted family bathroom. Benefitting from central heating and double glazing

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RICHARD COURT, NORTON CANES

A well presented ground floor flat comprising; lounge, re-fitted kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom. Benefiting from gas central heating, double glazing, comunal gardens, parking and garage.

£97,000

OLD PENKRIDGE ROAD, CANNOCK

A well presented end terraced house situated in a sought after location. The accommodation comprises; lounge, dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms and bathroom. Benefiting from gas central heating, majority double glazing and gardens.

£174,950

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EDISON CLOSE, HEDNESFORD

A semi detached house situated on a corner plot. The accommodation comprises; lounge, dining area, re-fitted kitchen, three bedrooms and bathrom. Benefiting from gas central heating, double glazing, gardens, garage and driveway.

£124,950

MILLERS VALE, HEATH HAYES

A superbly presented and much improved semi detached house situated on a corner plot. The accommodation comprises; lounge, dining room, conservatory, re-fitted kitchen & guest wc, four bedrooms, re-fitted en-suite and bathroom. Further benefiting from gas central heating, double glazing, gardens, driveway and garage.

£174,995

FIELD LANE, GREAT WYRLEY

This end terraced house comprises; lounge/diner, re-fitted breakfast kitchen, three bedrooms and re-fitted bathroom. With gas central heating, double glazing, driveway and rear garden.

£119,950 No Chain

LONGCROFT, HUNTINGTON

A well presented semi detached house situated on a corner plot, the accommodation comprises; lounge, re-fitted breakfast kitchen, veranda, three bedrooms and bathroom. Benefiting from gas central heating, majority double glazing, front & rear gardens, garage and driveway.

£120,000 NO CHAIN

MARSTON ROAD, HEDNESFORD

This well presented semi detached house comprises; entrance porch, entrance hall, lounge, dining room, re-fitted kitchen, two double bedrooms, re-fitted bathroom, GCH, DG, driveway and rear gardens.

£109,995

HEATH STREET, HEDNESFORD

Traditional detached house comprising; lounge, dining room, kitchen, rear porch, three bedrooms and bathoom. With gas central heating, double glazing, gardens, garage and driveway

£124,950 No Chain

ARTHUR STREET, CANNOCK

A well presented semi detached house comprising; lounge, kitchen/diner, two bedrooms, and re-fitted shower room. Further benefiting from gas central heating, double glazing, rear garden and off road parking.

£112,000

WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, CANNOCK

A well presented semi detached house comprising; lounge, dining room, re-fitted kitchen, re-fitted guest wc, utility, two bedrooms, loft room, re-fitted bathroom, gas central heating, double glazing and rear garden.

£121,995

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ASCOT DRIVE, CANNOCK

This well presented semi detached house comprises; entrance hall, lounge, breakfast-kitchen, utility, three bedrooms, bathroom, GCH, UPVC single glazing, driveway (kerb not dropped) with front & rear gardens.

£100,000 No Chain

ALTON GROVE, CANNOCK

Situated on a corner plot in a popular residential development, this detached house comprises; lounge, kitchen/diner, guest wc, four bedrooms and bathroom. With gas central heating, double glazing, gardens, driveway and garage.

£195,000 No Chain

CEMETERY ROAD, CANNOCK

A well presented traditional two bedroom mid terraced house comprising; lounge, dining room, re-fitted kitchen, rear hall, utility room, two bedrooms, family bathroom, GCH, DG with front and rear gardens.

£96,000 No Chain

BADGERS WAY, HEATH HAYES

A well presented & extended link detached house comprising; entrance porch, lounge, dining room, extended kitchen, guest wc & shower room, study/playroom, conservatory, three bedrooms, bathroom, GCH, DG, driveway, front and rear gardens.

£155,000 No Chain

GREENHEATH ROAD, HEDNESFORD

A well presented and improved detatched bungalow comprising; lounge, breakfast kitchen, two double bedrooms, bathroom, GCH, DG, driveway, garage & gardens. No Chain. Part Exchange Considered.

£159,950 No Chain

MILL BROOK CLOSE, CANNOCK

A well presented detached bungalow comprising; lounge, kitchen, dining room, two double bedrooms, bathroom, gas central heating, double glazing, driveway, garage and gardens.

£164,950 No Chain

WIMBLEBURY ROAD, WIMBLEBURY

A very well presented modern semi detached house situated on a corner plot, the accommodation comprises; entrance hall, guest wc, lounge, kitchen/diner, three bedrooms and bathroom. Benefiting from gas central heating, double glazing, front & rear gardens and parking.

£134,995

YEW TREE CLOSE, NORTON CANES

This semi detached bungalow comprises; loung, kitchen/diner, two bedrooms, study/bedroom three and wet room. With gas central heating, majority double glazing, gardens, driveway and garage.

£128,000 No Chain

STAGBOROUGH WAY, HEDNESFORD

This four bedroomed detached house comprises; family lounge, dining room, kitchen, guest wc, four bedrooms and bathroom. With gas central, double glazing, gardens, block paved driveway and garage.

£169,995 No Chain

HIGH MOUNT STREET, HEDNESFORD

This well presented end terraced house comprises; lounge, kitchen, dining room, re-fitted ground floor bathroom, and three bedrooms. With gas central heating, double glazing, front & rear gardens and garage.

Offers in excess of £125,000

CHAFFINCH CLOSE, HEDNESFORD

A well presented ground floor studio flat comprising; communal entrance, lounge/bedroom, fitted kitchen, dressing room, modern re-fitted shower room, UPVC double glazing, economy 7 heating, communal parking & gardens. No Chain

Offers in excess of £55,000

MANOR AVENUE, CANNOCK

A selection of newly build apartments conveniently situated for Cannock Town Centre and public transport. The accommodation comprises; open plan lounge/kitchen. two bedrooms and modern fitted bathroom. With double glazing, gas central heating, intercom system, allocated parking and communal gardens. No Chain.

£112,000 with 5% cash back

STAFFORD STREET, HEATH HAYES

Ths very well presented semi detached house comprises; open plan lounge/dining area, re-fitted kitchen, three bedrooms and luxury re-fitted bathroom. With gas central heating, double glazing, driveway and enclosed rear garden.

£125,000

BROMLEY CLOSE, HEDNESFORD

Situated on a popular development, this very well presented end town house comprises; lounge, re-fitted kitchen/diner, three bedrooms, en suite and bathroom. With gas central heating, double glazing, gardens and driveway.

Offers in excess of £125,000

WHITFIELD ROAD, HEDNESFORD

This very well presented and improved semi detached bungalow comprises; lounge, re-fitted kitchen, two double bedrooms, shower room and loft space. With gas central heating, double glazing, well presented gardens and block paved driveway.

£119,995 No Chain

MILTON ROAD, CANNOCK

This very well presented semi detached house comprises; lounge/diner, modern re-fitted kitchen, two double bedrooms and modern re-fitted bathroom. Further benefiting from gas central heating double glazing and front and rear gardens. No Chain.

£107,000

ASCOT DRIVE, CANNOCK

This very well presented and much improved two bedroom semi detached house comprises; entrance hall, lounge, re-fitted breakfast kitchen, utility, two double bedrooms, bathroom, GCH, DG, driveway, front and rear gardens

£110,000 No Chain

EASTGATE, RAWNSLEY

A well presented modern end terrace house comprising of lounge/diner, kitchen,two bedrooms and bathroom. Further benefiting from gas central heating, double glazing,allocated parking and rear garden.

£114,500

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BRAMPTON DRIVE, HEATH HAYES

A three bedroom semi detached house comprising; entrance hall, lounge, dining room, kitchen, downstairs WC, shower room. Further benefiting from gas central heating, double glazing, driveway, garage, front and rear gardens.

£125,000

IVY CLOSE, CANNOCK

TOWN CENTRE LOCATION

A very well presented semi detached house on a popular development close to Cannock town centre. The accommodation comprises; lounge, kitchen/diner, guest wc, three bedrooms, bathroom, gas central heating, double glazing, and driveway.

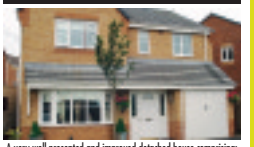
£147,950

EAGLE GROVE, HEATH HAYES

This well presented and improved detached house comprises; entrance hall, lounge, re-fitted kitchen/diner, re-fitted utility & guest wc, conservatory, four bedrooms, master having re-fitted en-suite and re-fitted family bathroom. With gas central heating, double glazing, rear garden, garage and ample driveway.

£234,950

PURCELL CLOSE, HEATH HAYES



A very well presented and improved detached house comprising; through hallway, guest WC, lounge, re-fitted kitchen/diner &utility, conservatory, four bedrooms - two with en-suites, bathroom, GCH, DG, front and rear gardens with driveway and garage.

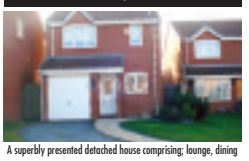
£249,950

STAFFORD LANE, HEDNESFORD

A semi detached house located in a popular residential area, comprising; entrance hall, lounge, breakfast kitchen, conervatory, three bedrooms and bathroom. With gas central heating, double glazing, front & rear gardens, driveway and garage.

£129,995

VICTORY CLOSE, WIMBLEBURY



A superbly presented detached house comprising; lounge, dining room, re-fitted kitchen, three bedrooms, master having en-suite and re-fitted bathroom. With gas central heating, double glazing, garage, driveway and gardens.

£169,950

WARDLES LANE, GREAT WYRLEY

A well presented and extended semi detached house comprising; lounge, dining room, re-fitted kitchen, four bedrooms and re-fitted bathroom. With gas central heating, double glazing, front & rear gardens, garage - currently utility area & storage space and driveway

£149,995

SAREDON HALL FARM, GREAT SAREDON

A beautifully presented grade 2 listed farm house comprising; reception hall, guest wc, lounge, re-fitted breakfast-kitchen, cellar, master bedroom with modern en-suite, two further bedrooms, modern bathroom, GCH, driveway, gardens & open views. Planning permission for single storey side extension.

£395,000

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CANNOCK ROAD, HEATH HAYES

A spacious semi detached house with good size rear garden and 41ft garage. This accomodation comprises; entrance porch, hallway, lounge, kitchen-diner, conservatory, three bedrooms, bathroom, gas central heating, double glazing, front and rear gardens, driveway and garage.

£138,000 No Chain

LANGDALE DRIVE, CANNOCK

A well presented semi detached bungalow. The accommodation comprises; entrance hall, lounge, re-fitted kitchen, veranda, two double bedrooms and shower room. With gas central heating, double glazing, driveway, garage and gardens.

OIRO £125,000

PYE GREEN ROAD, CANNOCK

This very well presented and improved mid terraced house comprises; lounge, dining room, re-fitted kitchen, two double bedrooms and re-fitted bathroom. Benefiting from gas central heating, double glazing, rear driveway and garage/workshop

£124,995

SALISBURY DRIVE, HEATH HAYES

This well presented detached house situated on a corner plot comprises; reception hall, guest WC, lounge, breakfast-kitchen, dining room, conservatory, store room, master bedroom with re-fitted en-suite, three further bedrooms, re-fitted bathroom, GCH, DG, driveway, garage, front & rear gardens. PART EXCHANGE CONSIDERED.

£235,000 Part Exchange Considered

WARDLES LANE, GREAT WYRLEY

This well presented and extended semi detached house comprises; lounge, dining room/sitting room, re-fitted kitchen, re-fitted guest wc and shower room, three double bedrooms and modern re-fitted bathroom. With gas central heating, double glazing, gardens, driveway and garage.

£169,950

WHEATLANDS CLOSE, HEATH HAYES

A well presented semi detached house situated on a popular residential development comprising; entrance hall, lounge, dining room, re-fitted kitchen, three bedrooms, re-fitted bathroom, gas central heating, double glazing, driveway, garage, front and rear gardens.

£130,000

NEW BUILDS - TRAFALGAR CLOSE, WIMBLEBURY

A select freehold development comprising of four - three bedroomed semi detached houses, the accommodation offers: lounge, kitchen/diner, cloakroom, master bedroom having en-suite shower room and family bathroom. Further benefiting from gas central heating, double glazing, rear gardens & two allocated parking spaces.

£144,950

THE CROFT, CHESLYN HAY

Situated on a popular development, this semi detached house comprises; lounge, kitchen/diner, large conservatory, study, three bedrooms and re-fitted bathroom. With gas central heating, double glazing, rear garden, driveway and garage.

£164,995 No Chain

LIME CLOSE, GREAT WYRLEY

A very well presented detached family home, situated on a corner plot. The accommodation comprises; entrance hall, lounge, dining room/sitting room, kitchen, guest wc, conservatory, three bedrooms and re-fitted bathroom. With gas central heating, double glazing, driveway, double garage and gardens.

£210,000

HILL STREET, HEDNESFORD

This very well presented semi detached house comprises; family lounge, kitchen/diner, utility room, three bedroms and bathroom. With gas central heating, double glazing, rear garden, driveway and garage.

£155,000

WOODFIELD CLOSE, NORTON CANES

A very well presented and much improved detached house comprising of entrance hall, family lounge, modern re fitted kitchen/diner, conservatory, three bedrooms and modern re-fitted bathroom. Benefiting from gas central heating, double glazing, garage, driveway and rear garden.

£179,995 No Chain

JOHNSON ROAD, CANNOCK

A very well presented extended and much improved semi detached house with views of woodland to rear comprising; entrance hall, family lounge, dining room, re-fitted breakfast kitchen, re-fitted utility & guest WC, playroom/office, three bedrooms, bathroom, gas central heating, double glazing, rear garden, garage, and block paved driveway (kerb not dropped.)

£144,950

WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, CANNOCK

Ideally situated for Cannock town centre, this ground floor flat comprises; lounge, kitchen, one bedroom and shower room. With electric heating, double glazing and off road parking.

£325 pcm Sorry No DSS

COPPICE LANE, CHESLYN HAY

This very well presented semi detached house comprises; lounge, dining room, kitchen, two double bedrooms and bathroom. Benefiting from gas central heating, double glazing and rear garden.

£550 pcm Sorry No DSS

PEREGRINE WAY, HEATH HAYES

Situated on a popular development, this coach house apartment comprises; lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom. With gas central heating, double glazing, small rear courtyard, driveway and garage.

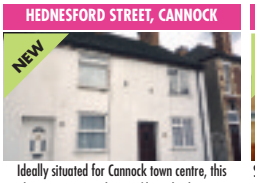
£495 pcm Sorry No DSS

HODSON WAY, HEATH HAYES

Situated on a popular development, this mid town house comprises; lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom. With electric heating, double glazing, gardens and allocated parking.

£475 pcm Sorry No DSS

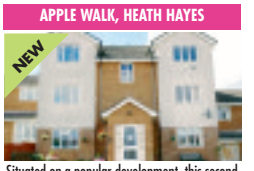
HEDNESFORD STREET, CANNOCK



Ideally situated for Cannock town centre, this house comprises; lounge/diner, kitchen, two bedrooms and ground floor bathroom. Benefiting from gas central heating, and rear garden.

£450 pcm Sorry No DSS

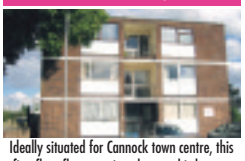
APPLE WALK, HEATH HAYES



Situated on a popular development, this second floor flat comprises; lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom. With electric heating, double glazing, and allocated parking.

£400 pcm Sorry No DSS

WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, CANNOCK



Ideally situated for Cannock town centre, this first floor flat comprises; lounge, kitchen, two double bedrooms and bathroom. With double glazing, electric heating and off road parking.

£390 pcm Sorry No DSS

HUNTINGTON TERRACE ROAD, CANNOCK

This semi detached house comprises; lounge, dining room, kitchen, three bedrooms and bathroom. Further benefiting from gas cental heating, double glazing and rear garden.

£490 pcm Sorry No DSS

KENSINGTON PLACE, HEATH HAYES

Situated on a popular development, this semi detached house comprises; lounge, dining area, kitchen, three bedrooms and bathroom. Benefiting from gas central heating, front & rear gardens and off road parking.

£525 pcm Sorry No DSS

ASCOT DRIVE, CANNOCK

This semi detached house comprises; lounge, dining area, kitchen, three bedrooms and bathroom. Benefiting from gas central heating, double glazing, front & rear gardens and off road parking.

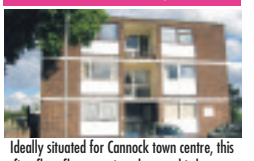
£525 pcm Sorry No DSS

HERONDALE, HEDNESFORD

Situated on a popular development, this first floor flat comprises; lounge, kitchen, one bedroom and bathroom. Benefiting from double glazing, electric heating and allocated parking.

£375 pcm Sorry No DSS

WOLVERHAMPTON ROAD, CANNOCK



Ideally situated for Cannock town centre, this first floor flat comprises; lounge, kitchen, two double bedrooms and bathroom. With double glazing, electric heating and off road parking.

£450 pcm DSS considered.

NELSON DRIVE, WIMBLEBURY

Situated on a popular development, this first floor flat comprises; lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom. Benefiting from electric heating, double glazing and parking.

£425 pcm Sorry No DSS

PATTERDALE ROAD, CHADSMOOR

This one bedroomed first floor flat comprises; lounge, kitchen and bathroom. Benefiting from gas central heating, double glazing, and gardens.

£325 pcm Sorry No DSS

KENILWORTH COURT, CANNOCK

This second floor flat comprises; lounge, kitchen, two bedrooms and bathroom. Benefiting from double glazing, electric heating, communal gardnes and off road parking.

£435 pcm SORRY NO DSS

BILBERRY CRESCENT, HUNTINGTON

This semi detached house comprises; lounge, kitchen/diner, three bedrooms and bathroom. with electric heating, double glazing, rear garden, driveway and garage.

£550 pcm Sorry No DSS

EBENEZER STREET, HEDNESFORD

This fully furnished semi detached house comprises; lounge, kitchen, three bedrooms and bathroom. Benefiting from gas central heating, double glazing, rear gardens, driveway, garage and store room.

£525 pcm Sorry No DSS

NEWHALL STREET, CANNOCK

This detached house comprises; lounge, sitting room, kitchen/diner, guest wc, four bedrooms, master having en-suite and bathroom with separate shower. Benefiting from gas central heating, double glazing, gardens, off road parking and garage.

£850 pcm Sorry No DSS

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- Conservatory
- Viewing Essential

£199,950

Tuppenhurst Lane, Handsacre

- Two Bedrooms
- Modern Mid Terraced
- Off Road Parking
- Kitchen Diner
- Lounge
- Storage Heating
- No Chain
- Competitively Priced

£104,000

Heron Street, Rugeley

- Two Bedrooms
- 1st Floor Maisonnette
- Lounge Diner
- Double Glazing
- Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Well Presented
- No Chain

£80,000

Springfield Avenue, Rugeley

- Three Bedrooms
- Semi Detached
- Well Presented
- DG & GCH
- Off Road Parking
- Conservatory
- Ideal Family Home
- Must Be Viewed

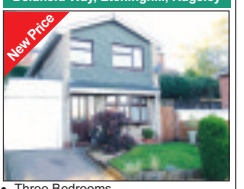
£125,000

Rutherglen Close, Rugeley

- Link Detached House
- Three Bedrooms
- Kitchen Diner
- Garage & Driveway
- Ideal Family Home
- No Chain
- DG & GCH
- Competitively Priced

£135,000

Delafield Way, Etchinghill, Rugeley



- Three Bedrooms
- Link Detached
- Well Appointed
- Immaculately Presented
- Garage & Driveway
- Ideal Family Home
- DG & GCH
- Viewing Essential

£154,950

5 Chichester Close, Rugeley

- Executive Detached House
- Four Bedrooms
- Master With En-Suite
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Breakfast Kitchen
- Off Road Parking & Garage
- Well Presented
- Viewing Recommended

£220,000

Westbutts Road, Etchinghill, Rugeley

- Four Bed Detached
- Sizeable Plot
- Popular Location
- Four Reception Rooms
- Dressing Area & En-suite to Master
- Mature Rear Garden
- Double Garage
- Viewing is Essential

£385,000

Peaks Road, Etchinghill, Rugeley

- Detached House
- Three Bedrooms
- Spacious Accommodation Throughout
- Delightful Gardens
- Popular Location
- Garage & Driveway
- Well Presented
- Conservatory & Utility

£249,950

St Johns Close, Slitting Mill

- Detached House
- Three Bedrooms
- Well Presented
- DG & GCH
- Much Sought After Location
- Delightful Gardens
- Garage & Parking
- Must Be Viewed

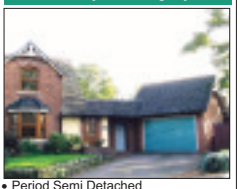
£249,950

Fortescue Lane, Rugeley

- Four Double Bedrooms
- Detached House
- Corner Plot
- Detached Garage & Workshop
- Three Reception Rooms
- Popular Location
- Ideal Family Home
- No Chain

£220,000

Wolseley Road, Rugeley



- Period Semi Detached
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Garage & Driveway
- Town Location
- Well Appointed
- Well Presented
- Viewing Is Essential

£215,000

Elizabethan Way, Rugeley

- Four Bedrooms
- Detached House
- Show Home Standard
- DG & GCH
- Refitted Kitchen & Bathroom
- Pleasant Garden
- Garage & Driveway
- Must Be Viewed

£169,995

Fortescue Lane, Rugeley

- Traditional End Terrace
- Three Double Bedrooms
- Stunning Kitchen/Diner
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Study/4th Bedroom
- Utility/Guest WC
- Generous Sized Bathroom
- Garage & Parking

£160,000

Linford Close, Handsacre, Rugeley

- Link Detached House
- Three Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Cul-de-sac Position
- Spacious Lounge
- Separate Dining Room
- Delightful Gardens
- Ample Off Road Parking

£159,000

Eaton Drive, Rugeley

- Extremely Well Presented
- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge & Dining Room
- Conservatory
- DG & GCH
- Off Road Parking
- Popular Location
- Must Be Viewed

£149,950

Chadwick Crescent, Hill Ridware

- Three Bedrooms
- Mature Mid Terraced
- Ideal Family Home
- Popular Village Location
- Ample Off Road Parking
- Kitchen Diner
- No Chain
- Ideal Family Home

£139,950

Somerset Avenue, Rugeley

- Detached property
- In Need of Modernisation
- Cul-De-Sac Location
- Two Garages
- Generous Plot
- Investment Property
- No Chain
- Viewing By Appointment

£135,000

The Laurels, Brereton

- Mid Terraced Bungalow
- Two Bedrooms
- Scheme Managed
- Age Restrictions Apply
- Re-fitted Kitchen
- Rear Lounge
- Mature Communal Gardens
- No Chain

£127,950

Birch Lane, Brereton

- Three Bedrooms
- Semi Detached
- Kitchen Diner
- DG & GCH
- Generous Gardens
- Off Road Parking
- Ideal Family Home
- Must Be Viewed

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Brereton Manor Court, Brereton

- Superb Grade 2 Listed Property
- Two Bedrooms
- Three Storey
- Off Road Parking
- Well Presented
- Gas Central Heating
- Sash Windows
- Must Be Viewed

£119,995

Pine View, Etchinghill, Rugeley

- Three Bedrooms
- Lounge Diner
- Fitted Kitchen
- Double Glazed
- Gas Central Heating
- Off Road Parking
- Garage
- No Chain

£119,950

Springfield Road, Rugeley

- Three Storey
- Three Bedrooms
- Modern Property
- Off Road Parking
- No Chain
- Master With En-suite
- GCH & DG
- No Chain

£110,000

Wetherall Close, Rugeley

- Semi Detached Bungalow
- Well Presented
- Conservatory
- DG and Electric Heating
- Garage to Rear
- Pleasant Gardens
- Competitively Priced
- Must Be Viewed

£110,000

Campbell Close, Rugeley

- Mid Terraced House
- Three Bedrooms
- In Need of Modernisation
- GCH & DG
- Lounge & Dining Area
- Gardens Front & Rear
- Family Bathroom
- Viewing By Appointment

£91,000

Canterbury Drive, Rugeley

- Modern Apartment
- Ground Floor
- One Bedroom
- Very Well Presented
- Open Plan Living
- Bathroom
- DG & Electric Heating
- Off Road Parking

£70,000

Arch Street, Rugeley

- Traditional Semi Detached
- Two Bedrooms
- Two Reception Rooms
- Well Presented
- DG & GCH
- Ideal First Time Purchase
- Close To Town
- Must Be Viewed

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Setterfield Way, Brereton

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◆ Gas central heating ◆ Fully double glazed

14 BLENHEIM DRIVE, WEDNESBURY
WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOMED SECOND FLOOR APARTMENT LOCATED IN POPULAR CUL-DE-SAC
◆ Communal hall, stairs and landing
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◆ Open plan lounge/dining/kitchen
◆ Two bedrooms ◆ Bathroom
◆ Two allocated parking spaces
◆ Communal grounds ◆ Economy 7 electric heating ◆ Fully double glazed
◆ Security phone system

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◆ Kitchen ◆ Refitted shower room
◆ Landing ◆ Three bedrooms
◆ Fully double glazed
◆ Gas central heating
◆ Garden to rear
◆ Sorry no pets or smokers accepted

14 WOOTTONS COURT, CANNOCK
GROUND FLOOR ONE BEDROOMED APARTMENT Located In Cul-de-sac Within Reach Of Facilities At The Town Centre
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◆ Lounge ◆ Breakfast kitchen
◆ Bedroom ◆ Bathroom with wc
◆ Allocated parking space
◆ Economy 7 electric heating
◆ New UPVC double glazed windows

21 CHALFONT COURT, CANNOCK
◆ Communal hall stairs and landing
◆ Reception hall ◆ Lounge, kitchen
◆ Two bedrooms, bathroom
◆ Allocated parking space
◆ Communal grounds
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◆ Security phone system
◆ No chain
◆ Inspection highly recommended

21 ADAM COURT, NEW PENKRIDGE ROAD, CANNOCK
WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOMED SECOND FLOOR APARTMENT Located In Sought After Residential Area Convenient For Facilities At The Town Centre
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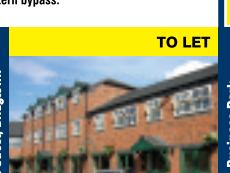

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£199,950 FREEHOLD

71 CHENET WAY, CANNOCK

WELL EQUIPPED FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE OCCUPYING WELL STOCKED GARDENS

- Canopy porch, Reception hall
- Cloakroom with wc
- Lounge, Dining room
- Double glazed conservatory with air conditioning
- Breakfast kitchen, Utility room
- Landing, Four bedrooms
- En-suite shower room
- Family bathroom
- Integral garage
- Well stocked gardens
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed, Intruder alarm
- Inspection highly recommended

£225,000 FREEHOLD

34 WESTBOURNE AVENUE, CANNOCK

ATTRACTIVE THREE BEDROOMED DETACHED HOUSE

- Enclosed porch
- Reception hall
- Lounge
- Dining room
- Kitchen
- Landing
- Three bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Detached garage/store
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Mature gardens
- No chain

£149,950 FREEHOLD

50 GREENSLADE GROVE, HEDNESFORD

EXTENDED AND IMPROVED THREE BEDROOMED DETACHED HOUSE

- Entrance lobby
- Lounge
- Sitting area
- Extended fitted dining kitchen
- Landing
- Three bedrooms
- Refitted bathroom
- Integral garage
- Gardens
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Intruder alarm
- Inspection highly recommended

£169,950 FREEHOLD

ASHLEIGH HOUSE, BROOMHILL BANK, CANNOCK

WELL EQUIPPED FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE

- Canopy porch
- Reception hall
- Lounge, Dining room
- Fitted kitchen, Utility room
- Cloakroom with wc
- Intruder alarm, Central landing
- Four bedrooms
- En-suite shower room
- Family bathroom
- Integral garage, Gardens
- Fully double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Inspection highly recommended
- No chain

£239,950 FREEHOLD

NEW PRICE

73 HATHERTON ROAD, CANNOCK

TWO BEDROOMED DETACHED BUNGALOW
Located In Much Sought After Residential Area

- Entrance lobby
- Lounge, Inner hall
- Dining kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Separate wc
- Gas central heating
- Part double glazed
- Built-on garage
- Mature gardens
- No chain

£225,000 FREEHOLD

MARTIN GROVE, HILTON LANE, GREAT WYRLEY
(Rear of 24 Hilton Lane)

Viewings by Appointment
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Beaumont

Superbly well equipped five bedroomed detached family residence with potential to provide up to seven bedrooms

- Impressive central reception hall with Amtico floor
- Cloakroom with hand basin and wc
- Four reception rooms
- Luxury kitchen with a range of appliances and granite work surfaces
- Utility room
- Three en suites
- Five bedrooms all with fitted Hammonds wardrobes
- Family bathroom
- Double width detached garage
- Full gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Intelligent lighting system
- Very high specification

Plot 3 Beaumont House
Five Beds £450,000 Freehold

100% VALUATION
PART EXCHANGE AVAILABLE

36 NEW PENKRIDGE ROAD, CANNOCK

IMPROVED AND EXTENDED WELL EQUIPPED DETACHED DORMER BUNGALOW
Offering Three/Four Double Bedroomed Accommodation With The Potential To Provide Ground Floor Annex Possibly For Extended Family

- Enclosed porch
- Reception hall
- Cloakroom with wc
- Lounge
- Garden room
- Inner lobby
- Cloakroom with wc
- Dining room/bedroom four
- Second kitchen
- Double glazed conservatory
- Main fitted kitchen
- Two ground floor double bedrooms
- Landing
- First floor master bedroom
- Family bathroom
- Built-on double length garage
- Well stocked landscaped gardens
- In and out drive
- Predominantly double glazed
- Gas central heating
- Internal inspection essential to fully appreciate this quality property

£335,000 FREEHOLD

44 MEADOWSWEET WAY, WIMBLEBURY

CONSIDERABLY EXTENDED AND IMPROVED FOUR/FIVE BEDROOMED DETACHED HOUSE

- Canopy porch
- Reception hall, Cloakroom with wc
- Lounge, Dining room
- Double glazed conservatory
- Refitted breakfast kitchen
- Refitted utility room
- Study/bedroom five, Landing
- Four first floor bedrooms
- Refitted en-suite shower room
- Refitted family shower room
- Off road parking
- Gardens, Fully double glazed
- Gas fired central heating
- Inspection highly recommended

£209,950 FREEHOLD

27 WATERLILY CLOSE, WIMBLEBURY

WELL EQUIPPED SEMI DETACHED TWO BEDROOMED HOUSE

- Canopy porch
- Reception hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Landing
- Two bedrooms
- Refitted bathroom
- Two allocated parking spaces
- Gardens
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Of interest to the first time buyer or as a buy to let

£117,500 FREEHOLD

6 SILVER FIR CLOSE, HEDNESFORD

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED AND EXTENDED DETACHED HOUSE

- Entrance lobby
- Lounge/dining room, Sitting room
- Breakfast kitchen, Landing
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Built-on garage
- Gardens
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Intruder alarm
- Inspection highly recommended

£149,950 FREEHOLD

146 WALSALL ROAD, CANNOCK

IMPROVED AND EXTENDED FOUR BEDROOMED DETCHED FAMILY HOUSE

- Enclosed porch
- Reception hall
- Cloakroom with wc
- Sitting room
- Living/dining room
- Breakfast kitchen
- Four bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Integral garage
- Well stocked gardens
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Inspection recommended

£184,950 FREEHOLD

13 BIRCH AVENUE, CANNOCK

THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE

- Enclosed porch
- Reception hall
- Lounge/dining area
- Kitchen
- Landing
- Three bedrooms
- Bathroom with wc
- Possible garage space
- Well stocked gardens
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Inspection recommended
- No chain

£125,000 FREEHOLD

26 THE MEADOWS, WEDGES MILLS

MOST SPACIOUS WELL EQUIPPED FORMER SHOWHOME DETACHED FAMILY RESIDENCE
Offering Five Bedroomed Accommodation On Three Floors Occupying Well Stocked Corner Plot In Much Sought After Cul-de-sac Development In This Popular South Staffordshire Village

- Reception hall
- Lounge
- Dining room
- Study
- Double glazed conservatory
- Breakfast kitchen
- Utility room
- Cloakroom with wc
- First floor landing
- Four first floor bedrooms
- Jack & Jill en-suite shower room
- Family bathroom
- Master bedroom second floor
- Walk-in dressing area second floor
- En-suite shower room second floor
- Detached double width garage
- Well stocked gardens
- Gas fired central heating
- Intruder alarm
- Inspection essential to fully appreciate this quality residence

£385,000 FREEHOLD

20 REMBRANT CLOSE, HEATH HAYES

END MEWS TWO BEDROOMED HOUSE

- Canopy porch
- Entrance lobby
- Lounge, Refitted breakfast kitchen
- Landing
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom with wc
- Possible garage space
- Gardens
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- No chain
- Inspection recommended

£123,450 FREEHOLD

69 STAFFORD ROAD, CANNOCK

WELL EQUIPPED INDIVIDUALLY DESIGNED FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED HOUSE OF CHARACTER

- Canopy porch
- Central reception hall
- Lounge, Sitting room
- Double glazed conservatory
- Fitted dining kitchen
- Store room, Side entrance lobby
- Cloakroom with wc
- Central galleried landing
- Four bedrooms
- En-suite shower room
- Family bathroom
- Well stocked gardens
- Possible garage space
- Secure parking for boat or caravan
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed

£249,950 FREEHOLD

43 HUNTINGTON TERRACE ROAD, CANNOCK

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED THREE BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE

- Reception hall
- Lounge/dining area
- L-shaped kitchen/breakfast area
- Double glazed conservatory
- Landing
- Three bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Well stocked garden
- Fully double glazed
- Gas fired central heating
- Inspection recommended

£129,950 FREEHOLD

5 CHARLES CLOSE, CHESLYN HAY

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVE AND EXTENDED DETACHED FOUR BEDROOMED FAMILY HOUSE

- Reception hall
- Lounge, Dining room
- Double glazed conservatory
- Fitted breakfast kitchen
- Utility room
- Cloakroom with wc, Landing
- Three first floor bedrooms
- Refitted en-suite shower room
- Refitted family bathroom
- Second floor bedroom with dressing area
- Integral garage, Gardens
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed, No chain
- Intruder alarm
- Internal inspection strongly recommended

£249,950 FREEHOLD

5 SANDY LANE, CANNOCK

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED AND EXTENDED IMMACULATELY MAINTAINED INDIVIDUALLY DESIGNED DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE
Located In The Prime Residential Area Of The Town Adjoining Sheel Hill District Of Cannock Chase To The Front

- Canopy porch
- Central reception hall
- Refitted cloakroom
- Lounge
- Dining room
- Open plan fitted kitchen/dining area/family room
- Landing
- Four double bedrooms
- Refitted en-suite shower room
- Refitted family bathroom
- Double length integral garage
- Store room
- Well stocked landscaped gardens
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Intruder alarm
- Inspection highly recommended

£499,950 FREEHOLD

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PENDLE HOUSE, 13 SANDY LANE, CANNOCK

WELL EQUIPPED DETACHED FAMILY RESIDENCE OFFERING FOUR DOUBLE BEDROOMS AND FOUR RECEPTION ROOMS Located In Cannocks Prime Residential Area Of Sheal Hill Close To Cannock Chase An Area Noted For Its Outstanding Natural Beauty

- Canopy porch and enclosed porch
- Central reception hall
- Cloakroom with wc
- Lounge
- Dining room
- Sitting room
- Study
- Double glazed conservatory
- Breakfast kitchen
- Utility room
- Central galleried landing
- Four double bedrooms
- Refitted en-suite shower room
- Family bathroom
- Detached double width garage
- Well stocked gardens
- All windows DG
- Gas CH
- Intruder alarm
- Inspection highly recommended

£479,950 FREEHOLD

NEW

8 CUCKOO CLOSE, HEATH HAYES

WELL EQUIPPED FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED HOUSE

- Canopy porch
- Entrance lobby
- Lounge
- Dining room
- Fitted breakfast kitchen
- Lobby
- Cloakroom with wc
- Landing
- Four bedrooms
- En-suite shower room
- Family bathroom
- Integral garage
- Well stocked gardens
- Gas fired central heating
- Predominantly double glazed
- Intruder alarm
- Inspection highly recommended

£206,950 FREEHOLD

EAGLETON, 7 UPPER LANDYWOOD LANE, CHESLYN HAY

WELL EQUIPPED INDIVIDUALLY DESIGNED DETACHED HOUSE OFFERING FLEXIBLE FOUR/FIVE BEDROOMED ACCOMMODATION Located In This Much Sought After South Staffordshire Village

- Canopy porch
- Central reception hall
- Cloakroom with wc
- Lounge
- Sitting room/conservatory
- Study/bedroom five
- Open plan kitchen/dining/family room
- Utility room
- Double glazed conservatory
- Central galleried landing
- Four double bedrooms
- Walk-in dressing room to bedroom one
- En-suite shower room
- Family bathroom
- Well stocked gardens
- All windows double glazed
- Gas fired central heating
- Inspection recommended

£375,000 FREEHOLD

21 BANBURY ROAD, CANNOCK

IMPROVED TWO BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE LOCATED IN POPULAR RESIDENTIAL AREA

- Enclosed porch
- Entrance hall
- Lounge
- Double glazed conservatory
- Kitchen
- Side covered porch
- Landing
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom with wc
- Gardens
- Off road parking
- Gas central heating
- Predominantly double glazed
- Two stores
- Of interest to the first time buyer

£116,950 FREEHOLD

PART EXCHANGE CONSIDERED

CONISBROUGH HOUSE, THE LANE, COPPENALL

LUXURIOUSLY APPOINTED DETACHED FAMILY RESIDENCE OFFERING OUTSTANDING FLEXIBLE ACCOMMODATION OF UP TO SIX DOUBLE BEDROOMS ON THREE FLOORS

Located In Small Exclusive Development Of High Quality Residences In Gated Private Drive Occupying Approx. 1/2 Acre Plot In Elevated Position With Stunning Southerly Panormaic Views Over The Penk Valley And Open Farmland Towards Cannock Chase

Ground floor:
- Inpressive central reception hall with central feature oak staircase
- Store room
- Cloakroom with wc
- Lounge
- Dining room
- Study
- Luxury fitted breakfast kitchen/family room
- Utility room
- Garden room

First floor:
- Central galleried landing
- Four double bedrooms (each with Luxury en-suite facilities and range of built-in wardrobes)
- Access from landing to balcony with superb southerly panoramic views

Second floor:
- Central galleried landing
- Games room/bedroom five with sauna
- Cinema room/bedroom six
- Luxury family bathroom
- Outside:
- Detached triple width garage
- Office/games room/playroom over
- Extensive off road parking
- 1/2 acre landscaped grounds

General:
- Gas central heating with under floor heating throughout ground floor
- Fully double glazed
- Intruder alarm
- Extensive wiring for surround sound
- Inspection essential to fully appreciate this outstanding property

£1,250,000 FREEHOLD

14 ROWAN CROFT, PRICE STREET, CANNOCK

FIRST FLOOR APARTMENT LOCATED IN PURPOSE BUILT SHELTERED HOUSING DEVELOPMENT Which Is Conveniently Located For The Town Centre

- Communal hall, stairs & landing
- Entrance hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom with wc
- Security phone system
- Communal reception/sitting area
- Communal washing/drying facilities
- Communal garden
- Security phone system
- Predominantly double glazed
- Economy 7 electric heating
- No chain
- Inspection recommended

£77,500 (For 100% Share)

53 GANTON ROAD, BLOXWICH

DETACHED HOUSE OFFERING FOUR BEDROOMED FAMILY ACCOMMODATION Located In Popular Residential Area

- Canopy porch
- Reception hall
- Lounge
- Refitted dining kitchen
- Double glazed conservatory
- Utility room
- Cloakroom with wc
- Four bedrooms
- En-suite shower room
- Family bathroom
- Integral garage
- Gardens
- Gas central heating
- Intruder alarm

£199,950 FREEHOLD

NEW

78 SALISBURY DRIVE, HEATH HAYES

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED EXTENDED WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Occupying Larger Than Average Gardens In Popular Cul-de-sac Convenient For Facilities Locally

- Entrance lobby
- Lounge
- Refitted dining kitchen
- Double glazed conservatory
- Landing
- Two bedrooms
- Family bathroom
- Garage space
- Well stocked larger than average gardens
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Inspection highly recommended
- Public open space to rear

£134,950 FREEHOLD

102 OLD PENKRIDGE ROAD, CANNOCK

PART EXCHANGE CONSIDERED/NO CHAIN

WELL EQUIPPED INDIVIDUALLY DESIGNED FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE Located in a Much Sought After Residential Area of the Sheal Hill District of the Town Adjoining Cannock Park to the Rear

- Reception hall
- Lounge
- Dining room
- Breakfast kitchen
- Utility room
- Central landing
- Four bedrooms
- En-suite shower room
- Family bathroom
- Integral garage
- Gardens
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Intruder alarm
- No chain
- Inspection recommended

£349,950 FREEHOLD

5 HEATHER VALLEY, HEDNESFORD

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED AND EXTENDED DETACHED FAMILY RESIDENCE Offering Flexible Well Equipped Deceptively Spacious Accommodation Incorporating Annex On Three Floors Close to The Hednesford Hills District of Cannock Chase

- Lower floor
- Hall
- Cloakroom with wc
- Lounge
- Conservatory
- Fitted kitchen/breakfast area
- Utility room
- Middle floor
- Enclosed porch
- Reception hall
- Bedroom
- Refitted en-suite shower room
- Upper floor
- Landing
- Two double bedrooms
- Refitted bathroom
- Annexe incorporating
- Inner hall
- Sitting room
- Refitted shower room
- Kitchen
- Bedroom
- Side entrance lobby
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Intruder alarm
- Integral garage
- Gardens
- Inspection highly recommended

£349,950 FREEHOLD

15 STONEY CROFT, CANNOCK

WELL EQUIPPED TWO BEDROOMED DETACHED BUNGALOW

- Entrance lobby
- Reception Hall
- Lounge
- Refitted breakfast kitchen
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Detached garage
- Well stocked gardens
- Gas fired central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Intruder alarm
- No chain
- Inspection highly recommended

£219,950 FREEHOLD

EAST WIND, SHORE CROFT, SANDY LANE, CANNOCK

NEW

A SUPERB IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED FAMILY RESIDENCE INCLUDING INDOOR HEATED SWIMMING POOL Located In The Much Sought After Sheal Hill District Of Cannock Chase, Ideal For Equestrian Use Having Paddock Extending To Approximately Two Acres And Enjoying Views Over Cranebolt Farmland Towards Shropshire And The Wrekin

- Reception hall
- Breakfast kitchen
- Dining area
- Lounge
- Ground floor master bedroomed suite
- Landing
- Two first floor bedrooms
- Family bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Indoor heated swimming pool with two shower areas, cloaksroom and pool/plant room
- Extensive gated parking area
- Paddock extending to approximately two acres
- Inspection recommended to fully appreciate this unique property

£395,000 FREEHOLD

NEW PRICE

1 YORK ROAD, CANNOCK

TWO BEDROOMED SEMI DETACHED HOUSE Convenient For Facilities At The Town Centre

- Entrance hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen
- Landing
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom with wc
- Garage
- Gardens
- Gas central heating
- All windows double glazed
- No chain
- Of interest to the first time buyer

£89,950 FREEHOLD

103 HATHERTON ROAD, CANNOCK

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED AND EXTENDED FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED FAMILY RESIDENCE Situated On A Corner Plot Located In Much Sought After Residential Area Of The Town

- Recessed porch/canopy
- Reception hall
- Cloakroom with wc
- Lounge
- Dining room
- Upvc double glazed conservatory
- Breakfast kitchen
- Utility room
- Separate wc
- Garden room/store
- Landing
- Master bedroom suite with dressing room & en-suite shower room
- Three further bedrooms
- Family bathroom
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed
- Integral double width garage
- Well stocked gardens
- Inspection recommended to appreciate this property

£395,000 FREEHOLD

2 ST PATRICK CLOSE, RAWNSLEY

WELL EQUIPPED FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED HOUSE

- Canopy porch
- Entrance lobby
- Lounge
- Dining room
- Double glazed conservatory
- Kitchen
- Utility room
- Cloakroom with wc
- Landing
- Four bedrooms
- En-suite shower room
- Family bathroom
- Integral garage
- Corner plot gardens
- Gas central heating
- Fully double glazed

£195,000 FREEHOLD

NEW

1 DEER CLOSE, HUNTINGTON

CONSIDERABLY IMPROVED WELL EQUIPPED FOUR BEDROOMED DETACHED FAMILY HOUSE

- Enclosed porch
- Reception hall
- Refitted cloakroom with wc
- Lounge/dining area
- Double glazed conservatory
- Refitted breakfast kitchen
- Utility room
- Central landing
- Four bedrooms
- Dressing area to bedroom one
- Two refitted en-suite shower rooms

£239,950 FREEHOLD

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NORTON CANES
BUTTS LANE
- 4 bed detached house
- 4 En-suite Bathrooms
- Conservatory
- NO DHSS

£975 PCM

GREAT WYRLEY
Walsall Road
- 4 Bed Detached Dormer Bungalow
- Lounge ● Dining /Sitting room ● Kitchen Diner
- Utility ● Guest Cloakroom● Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating ● Sorry No DHSS

£750 Pcm

NORTON CANES
Butts Close
- 3/4 Bed detached house with Garage
- 2 Reception rooms ● Rear Lobby ● Utility
- Family Bathroom ● En-suite
- Shower Room
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing ● Sorry No DHSS

£725 Pcm

BROWNHILLS
St Marks Road
- 3 Bed Detached House with Garage & Driveway
- Living room ● Kitchen ● Utility
- Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating
- Sorry No DHSS

£600 Pcm

ALDRIDGE
THE BRIARS
- 2 Bed Ground Floor Apartment
- Gas central heating & Double Glazing
- Lounge ● Dining Room ● En-Suite ● Bathroom
- Allocated Parking ● Sorry No DHSS

£575 PCM

CHASE TERRACE
Rugeley Road
- 3 Bed Semi with Front & Rear Gardens
- Lounge ● Dining Room ● Kitchen
- Family Bathroom ● Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating ● DHSS Accepted

£575 Pcm

NORTON CANES
Wallace Road
- 3 Bed Detached house with Garage & Shared Drive
- Lounge Diner ● Conservatory ● Kitchen
- Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating
- Front & Rear Gardens ● Sorry No DHSS

£575 Pcm

ALDRIDGE
BRICKYARD COURT
- 2 Bed Apartment
- Double Glazing & Economy 7 Heating
- Open plan Living room kitchen with integrated appliances
- Allocated Gated Parking ● Sorry No DHSS

£525 PCM

CLAYHANGER
Rushbrook Close
- Modernised 2 Bed Terrace with Off Road Parking
- Open plan Kitchen Living room ● Kitchen
- Bathroom ● Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating
- Rear Garden ● Sorry No DHSS

£525 Pcm

HEATH HAYES
PHEASANT WAY
- Ground Floor 2 bed apartment
- Electric heating & Double glazing
- Living Room ●Kitchen ●Bathroom
- Allocated Parking to the Rear ● Sorry No DHSS

£495 PCM

WALSALL WOOD
Greenside Court
- 2 Bed Apartment
- Living Room ● Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Double Glazing ● Gas Central Heating
- Allocated parking ● Sorry No DHSS

£525 Pcm

ALDRIDGE
THE PADDOCKS
- 2 Bed Apartment
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing
- Living Room ● Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Off Road Parking ● Sorry No DHSS

£495 PCM

BROWNHILLS
LAPWING CLOSE
- 2 Bed Ground Floor Apartment
- Double Glazing & Electric Heating ● En-Suite
- Kitchen with integrated appliances ● Allocated Parking
- Sorry NO DHSS

£495 PCM

BROWNHILLS
MOORHEN CLOSE
- Modern 2 bed apartment
- Kitchen with integrated apliances
- Lounge diner ● Bathroom ● Economy 7 heating
- Communal garden ● Off road parking ● NO DHSS

£475 PCM

CANNOCK
Cannock Road
- Modernised 2 Bed Terrace
- Lounge ● Dining Room ● Kitchen
- Double Glazing & Gas Central Heating ● Rear Courtyard
- Off Road Parking ● Sorry No DHSS

£475 Pcm

HEDNESFORD
Uxbrdge Street
- 2 Bedroom Flat
- Lounge ● Kitchen ● Bathroom
- Double Glazing ● Storage Heating
- Sorry No DHSS

£450 Pcm

CANNOCK
VALLEY ROAD
- 1 bed 1st floor flat
- Double glazed
- Rear garden
- DHSS accepted

£425 PCM

HEATH HAYES
APPLE WALK
- 2 bed 2nd floor apartment
- Living Room ● Bathroom
- Kitchen
- Economy 7 Heating ● Allocated parking
- Sorry No DHSS

£400 PCM

CANNOCK
Cemetary Road
- 2/3 Bed end terraced house
- Majority Double Glazing ● Gas Central Heating
- Lounge ● Dining Room ● Kitchen
- Rear Garden ● DHSS Accepted

£400 Pcm

SHELFIELD
Maple House
- Well presented 1 bedroom Flat
- Gas Central Heating & Double Glazing
- Lounge ● Kitchen ● Shower Room
- Garage ● Sorry No DHSS

£375 Pcm

HEDNESFORD
MARKET STREET
- 1 bedroom flat
- Electric heating
- Lounge
- DHSS accepted

£350 PCM

HEDNESFORD
Orion Way
- 1 Bed Ground Floor Flat
- Living Room ● Kitchen
- Bathroom
- Rear Garden ● Double Glazing
- Gas Central Heating ●

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CEDAR GROVE
GREAT WYRLEY

- Extended four bed detached
- Three en suites, guest cloakroom
- Gas central heating, double glazing
- Front and rear garden, double garage

£385,000

NIGHTINGALE WALK
BURNTWOOD

- Five bedroom detached
- Lounge●Dining Room●Study
- Gas central heating●UPVC double glazing
- Kitchen●Utility●Bath room●Two En-Suites

£339,950

CRANMER CLOSE
CHESLYN HAY

- Four bedroom detached
- Gas central heating●Double glazing
- Guest Cloakroom●Dining Room●Study
- Utility Room●Refitted En-Suite●Detached Double Garage

£330,000

BOULTON CLOSE
BURNTWOOD

- Three bedroom detached bungalow
- Conservatory●Dining Room●En-Suite
- Gas central heating●Double glazing
- Detached Double Garage●Off Road Parking.

£294,950

BEAUMONT WAY
NORTON CANES

- Four bedroom detached
- Kitchen●Utility Room●Master Bedroom En-Suite
- Guest Cloakroom●Study●Lounge●Dining Room
- Family Bathroom●Double Detached Garage
- Breakfast

£274,950

JACOBS HALL LANE
GREAT WYRLEY

- Three bed detached bungalow
- Lounge●Kitchen Diner●Utility Room●Shower Room
- Gas central heating●Majority double glazing
- Garage●Rear Garden●Block Paved Driveway.

£269,950

BLITHFIELD PLACE
HEATH HAYES

- Four bedroom detached
- Guest Cloakroom●Study●Lounge●Dining Room
- Breakfast Kitchen●Utility Room●En-Suite●Family Bath-room
- Double Detached Garage●NO CHAIN

£249,950

BEAUMONT WAY
NORTON CANES

- Four bedroom detached
- Breakfast Kitchen●Utility Room●En-Suite
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VAUXHALL ASTRA 1.3 CDTi ECOFLEX

ROAD TEST

Astra ups its game and takes top spot

December saw Vauxhall's Astra return to the top spot as the UK's best selling car for the month.

In its decades-old battle with the Ford Focus and previously the Ford Escort, the Astra has often come out on top.

The battle has been played out across a number of scenarios from the Astra GTE versus Escort RS Turbo conflict of the late 1980s to the soft tops of the mid nineties, but in these more austere times the contest is not to be the fastest or most glamorous, but to be the most frugal.

As might be expected where these two vehicles are concerned, the efficiency specialist line-ups are similar, with both Vauxhall and Ford offering stop-start and non-stop-start equipped versions of their economical family hatchbacks.

The non-stop-start versions have a cheaper initial purchase price but lose out, albeit marginally, in terms of fuel economy and emissions.

With the Astra, this is less of an issue than with the Focus because, whereas the addition of stop-start drops the 1.6-litre diesel Focus Econetic from 104g/km to 99g/km CO2 emissions and thus from tax band B to free of charge A, the Vauxhall drops from 109g/km to 104g/km, remaining in tax band B.

The Astra loses that battle, then, but not necessarily the war, as it works hard to make up for the initial shortcomings elsewhere. The biggest thorn in Ford's side comes in the form of the Astra's interior.

The Focus' upmarket, high quality interior has been a large part of its 'class-leading' appeal, but the current generation of Astra has upped its game in this regard.

Ride quality is very good in the Astra

The Astra's cabin is of higher quality

The Astra Ecoflex is the green version of the long-lived model, with good economy

There's a high quality ambience in the cabin, giving the Astra a mini-Insignia feel. Material quality is very good and plastics are soft to the touch but sturdy. In the Exclusiv model, soft lighting beneath the gear lever surround and in the door handle moulds is a premium touch and the chunky, sturdy feel to the steering wheel is replicated around the interior, in the metal rimmed knobs and the solid column stalks.

The Astra holds its own against its closest rival from the outside, too. Like the Focus the Astra boasts a contemporary design that's attractive but refined and sensible.

The Ecoflex model needn't suffer visually for its greener emphasis, either. 17-inch alloy wheels are optional, to replace the flush-covered steels as standard. The revised aero package does little to harm the Astra's attractive exterior lines and the automatic aero-flap behind the grille is discreetly hidden. A particularly keen eye may even spot the marginally lowered suspension, which reduces drag alongside the low-rolling resistance tyres.

However, the major changes, although still hidden from view, are more noticeable. The taller gearing, for example, which comes courtesy of a longer final drive ratio, affecting all five-forward gears. The positive side is that high speed and long distance cruises are more refined thanks to lower rpm. This works well with the Astra's impressive ride quality, even on the revised suspension.

It does result in less inspiring straight line performance than some eco rivals, however. Using a smaller capacity diesel engine seems like an obvious way to reduce fuel consumption and works very well around town, but when greater acceleration is required the 1.3-litre unit does need to be pushed harder and kept above 2,500rpm for any real performance. This means the engine remains audible in the cabin, too, particularly when cold.

A lower idling speed counters this slightly in the standard Ecoflex model, but not as much as the zero-idling philosophy of the stop-start equipped model.

On the move, the Astra can hold its head high. Ride quality is very good – of benefit to driver and passengers – and the chassis is responsive but predictable and secure. ESP is part of a respectable list of standard equipment (although electric rear windows are omitted for weight saving), an important factor for a family car.

Similarly, an accommodating interior boosts the family appeal. Boot space behind the hatch is conveniently proportioned with a bigger opening than initially appears from the outside. The rear bench will accept two adults with little fuss, too, with good access offered by the five-door layout.

The on-paper figures suggest that the Astra hasn't quite trumped the Focus in the battle to be greenest, but the stylish and noticeably well-built model is impressive enough to keep the contest alive for the foreseeable future.

FACTS AT A GLANCE

Model: Vauxhall Astra 1.3 CDTi Ecoflex Exclusiv, £18,005 on the road. Engine: 1.3-litre turbocharged petrol unit developing 95bhp and 140lb/ft of torque. Transmission: Five-speed manual transmission, driving the front wheels. Performance: Maximum speed 109mph, 0-62mph 13.8 seconds. CO2 emissions: 138g/km. Economy: 68.9mpg.

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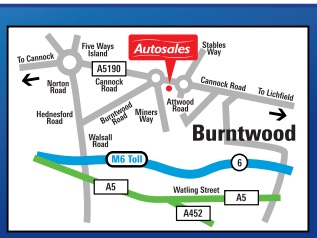

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DVLA corporate affairs director David Evans said: "No one wants to be a victim of vehicle crime and if you buy a second hand car without checking the facts first you may get more than you bargained for.

"It only takes a few minutes to look through the advice we publish to help those thinking about buying a used vehicle.

"Our advice is to trust your instincts - if a deal seems too good to be true it probably is."

DVLA recommends buyers ask to see proof of ownership of a vehicle, such as a bill of sale, and check the vehicle's service records and a MOT certificate to assure themselves that the sale is legal.

Useful tips when buying

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Updated Ninja gets green light

Kawasaki can now launch its stunning Ninja ZX-10R superbike

Having suspended the public launch of the much anticipated 2011 Ninja ZX-10R to investigate a technical issue, Kawasaki has now revealed the cause of concern and the countermeasure to solve the issue.

It had been discovered that when some examples of the new 2011 Ninja ZX-10R were operated at high rpm under unique riding conditions – such as operating on a racetrack – the intake valve springs could surge.

Should this rare incidence occur it could cause one or more intake valves to seat improperly, resulting in poor engine performance.

Having examined the very small number of machines which exhibited this surge phenomenon, the Kawasaki factory engineers have designed and fully tested a countermeasure which solves the problem without affecting any facet of the new engine's outstanding performance.

On the limited number of machines produced so far, the camshaft, valve springs and spring retainers for intake valves are being replaced to prevent the valve spring from surging.

The same design update is automatically being incorporated into the ongoing production run of the newest and most powerful Ninja yet produced.

Kawasaki sales and marketing manager Michael Johnstone congratulated the Kawasaki Heavy Industries engineers for their work in advance of the anticipated start of sales in late January.

Engineers

"While we have been thinking about Christmas and the New Year at this festive time, a team of engineers in Japan have been exhaustively testing new high performance components for the stunning new Ninja ZX-10R.

With the dealer launch of this and other incoming range models on January 27 across the UK, this news is the best possible start to 2011 for Kawasaki dealers and riders."

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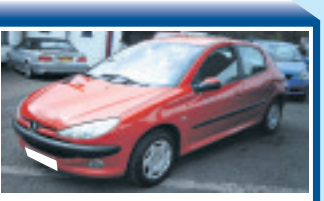

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All-wheel drive A1 put through paces

All for one – Audi's A1 set to get all-wheel drive, with engineers testing a quattro prototype in Canada

THE Audi A1 quattro prototype, which aims to bring all-wheel-drive to the premium subcompact hatchback segment for the first time, is currently undergoing a baptism of fire grappling with freezing conditions on Canada's densely snow-packed roads.

The one-off development car is one of the stars of the 'Fascination of quattro' event taking place in Montreal to celebrate the past, present and future of the pioneering four-wheel-drive system, which reached its 30th anniversary in 2010.

It reaffirms the brand's commitment, made at the 2010 Paris Motor Show, to underpin future high performance variants of the A1 with this proven driver aid.

The latest member of the burgeoning quattro family uses technology very similar to that used in A3 and TT models.

Pump

At its core is an electronically controlled, hydraulically actuated multi-plate clutch located in front of the rear axle for an optimized distribution of weight. Inside is a package of plates that rotate in an oil bath.

During normal driving, the clutch sends most of the engine's power to the front wheels.

If the front axle loses grip, the clutch can instantly transfer torque to the rear axle by forcing the plate packages together.

A pressure reservoir helps the electric pump to develop the necessary oil pressure.

The UK A1 range currently offers a choice of ten front-wheel-driven models powered by 1.2-litre TFSI (86PS) and 1.4-litre TFSI (122PS) petrol engines and a 1.6-litre TDI (105PS) diesel, and is priced from £13,420 to £18,665 on the road.

Even before it filters into the most diminutive of Audi models, the quattro system is already a feature of over 120 variants in the Audi line-up, from the A3 hatchback through to the R8 super car.

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2009|59| C3 1.4 VTR. Arctic Steel, 15,000 miles.....£6795
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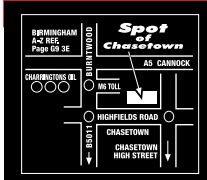

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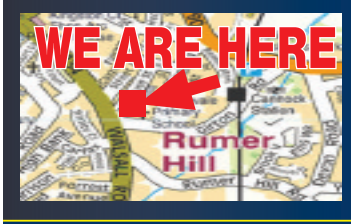

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02	CHRYSLER VOYAGER 2.5 Diesel, 7 seater	£2995
51	RENAULT ESPACE 2.2 Diesel, 7 seater	£2395

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52	AUDI A4 Convertible, Automatic, Leather	£6495
52	AUDI A4 Estate, Automatic, 35,000 miles	£3695
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56	CHEVROLET MATIZ 1.0 9,000 miles	£3495
55	VAUXHALL CORSA 1.2 SXi 41,000 miles	£2995
03	CITROEN C3 1.4i SX 5-door	£2995
04	VAUXHALL CORSA 1.4 SXi	£2795
53	FIESTA 1.4 FLAME 3-dr.	£2495
02	RENAULT CLIO 1.2	£1895
03	VAUXHALL AGILA 1.2 CLUB	£1795
X	PEUGEOT 306 1.4 5-dr.	£1495
W	FORD KA 1.3 COLLECTION	£1295

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03	VOLKSWAGEN GOLF 1.9 TDi 5-dr.	£2995
03	VAUXHALL VECTRA 2.2 DTi ELEGANCE	£2395
52	PEUGEOT 307 2.0 HDi Sporty Car	£2395
02	RENAULT SCENIC 1.9 DCi	£1895
W	BMW 318 TDS COMPACT	£1895

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51	FORD KA 1.3 5-dr.	£1095
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Y	ROVER 25 1.6 5-dr.	£995
T	RENAULT CLIO 1.4	£995
S	PEUGEOT 306 XSi	£895
T	DAEWOO LAGANZA 2.0 SX	£795
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Stafford Land Rover's site in Astonfields Road where business has bounced back strongly after the recession

Forty years of motor trading

The trio of West Midlands car dealerships which bear the Dennis Bunning name are looking forward to celebrating their owner's 40th year in the car business during 2011.

Mr Bunning moved to the Midlands from Hounslow in Middlesex in the early 1970s, where he qualified as an engineer. He then bought Hixon Garage and became a Daf dealer, before taking on a Volvo franchise.

He opened his Stafford Land Rover franchise in 1985 and it has occupied two previous premises before moving to its current purpose-built site in Astonfields Road.

The quartet of managers have clocked up more than 75 years of Land Rover service between them.

Since the dark days of the recession in 2008, when customer confidence dried up leaving them with half a million pounds worth of stock on their forecourt, they have seen a gradual return to better trading. They are now selling cars strongly again and hoping to top 200 new cars during 2011.

Sales manager Peter Gilbert said: "The recession is definitely over as far as we are concerned and we are seeing phenomenal demand for Land Rovers.

"We are selling all the new vehicles that we can get and our used cars are mostly gone within two weeks.

"We are amazed that used Land Rovers have actually gone up in value – and they are still selling on average within two weeks."

The dealership is looking forward to selling the facelifted Freelander 2, which now comes in two-wheel drive form as well as a 4x4, and later in the year there's the arrival of the Range Rover Evoque, which is sure to be one of the most eagerly-awaited events of the 2011 motoring calendar.

The Land Rover outlet is located next to Stafford Mazda which opened as long ago as 1999.

Stafford Mazda is no longer listed as an official seller of Mazda new cars – but customers can still buy new Mazdas there because they are supplied via its sister branch in Wolverhampton.

Paperwork

The paperwork is still carried out at Stafford by Roy Tallam and aftersales support and servicing, including warranty work, continues at the branch as before.

Mr Tallam said: "The message to Mazda fans at the branch is: it's very much business as usual."

And Mark Williams, dealer principal at Wolverhampton, is also on hand if needed – as he has to drive past the Stafford site on his way home.

The Mazda2 is a big seller at Wolverhampton Mazda

Wolverhampton Mazda is celebrating its own anniversary within the next few weeks. Its 15 staff will mark the tenth anniversary of operating the Mazda franchise this month.

They are staging an invitation only event to mark the anniversary spread over five days at the end of January. Staff will be offering a range of tempting offers to customers looking to buy a new or nearly new car.

Deals include zero per cent finance for up to 36 months, VAT frozen at 17.5 per cent on selected models and a 'loyalty bonus' discount of up to £1,000 for current Mazda owners looking to renew their vehicle.

Sales staff will also be offering contributions of £500 towards personal contract purchase plans and offering 'massive savings' on cars bearing '60 registration plates. Dealer principal Mark Williams, who has been at Wolverhampton Mazda, since Mr Bunning took it over said it had come a long way in the last decade. In that time Mazda has grown its market share hugely and now offers a competitive range of cars from the Mazda2 city car – the best-selling new vehicle at the dealership – to the larger Mazda5 people carrier and Mazda6 family hatch.

The dealership moved into £1 million premises next door to its old site in Willenhall Road a couple of years ago.

Wolverhampton Mazda hit its target of 300 new cars last year and sales staff are bidding to at least match that this time round.

"We are looking forward to being exceptionally busy due to our 10 year celebration," said Mr Williams.

It's business as usual for customers at Stafford Mazda, though the cars are supplied by a different branch

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All offers for retail sales & subject to availability at participating dealers only on vehicles registered between 4 January and 31 March 2011. Offers may be varied and withdrawn at any time. *5.9% finance available over 3 years and 3.9% finance available over 2 years on all upgraded Mazda2 models. Finance subject to status. Terms and conditions apply. Applicants must be 18 or over. Guarantees/indemnities may be required. Mazda Financial Services RHI 1SR. †Service offer: Available on upgraded Mazda2 Tamura and Takuya models with Mazda Personal Contract Purchase finance only: 3 year finance agreement available with 3 years complimentary servicing or 37,500 miles, whichever comes first, and includes a maximum of 3 services. 2 year finance agreement available with 2 years complimentary servicing or 25,000 miles, whichever comes first, and includes a maximum of 2 services. Complimentary servicing covers the manufacturers scheduled servicing only at a participating Mazda Authorised dealer. Terms & Conditions Apply. ^VAT offer: All upgraded Mazda2 models available with VAT at the equivalent of 17.5%. Mazda's VAT offer applies to the current retail list price and excludes the first registration fee, road tax and all factory fitted and dealer fitted options that will be charged at the standard 2011 VAT rate, currently set at 20%. Model shown: Upgraded Mazda2 1.3 5dr Tamura. OTR £11,830 . Model shown includes metallic paint (£420). On the road price includes VAT, number plates, delivery, 12 months' road fund licence, 1st registration fee, 3 year or 60,000 mile warranty and 3 years' European Roadside Assistance. Details correct at time of going to print. Test drives subject to applicant status and availability.

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Wyrley boxer Rickie Arblaster

Gloves are off for Rickie in title bid

GREAT Wyrley boxer Rickie Arblaster goes for his second Midlands title in only his 10th bout this weekend.

'The Wednesfield Warrior' takes on Edward Drayton (Scunthorpe ABC) on Sunday (January 23) in the schoolboy ABAs.

The 13-year-old received a bye last Sunday at the semi-final stage and goes straight into the 54-57Kg final, where he hopes to match his achievement of last year when he took the 51-54Kg Midland Title.

This year the final takes place at Tile Hill in Coventry. Anyone wishing to come and support Rickie can contact Pete Hickenbottom on 07957 601 424 for details.

Mitchell Roberts, who should have entered this years's championships fell victim to flu and had to withdraw.

Keeper's kick sails over opposite number's head

FIFTH division AFC Winding Wheel are through to round four of the Cannock Chase Cup after knocking out White Lion from division four 4-1.

Nick Hodgkiss netted twice, Scott Francis added one and then goalkeeper Jamie Houghton scored when his kick out of his own box sailed over the opposition keeper and into the net.

AFC Heath Hayes knocked out first division leaders St Matthews 1-0. The only goal of the game came after 10 minutes from Peter Bentley.

In the Premier League, bottom team Brereton Town finally won their first game of the season beating Alma 4-3.

Cannock Ascot made it two wins after beating Victoria 3-2 in Division One. Top striker Paul McGuiness completed his hat-trick with the winner with five minutes to go.

Unbeaten Division Two leaders Yew Tree Rovers threw away a two goal lead against second-placed Colliers Arms to lose 7-4.

Chase Spartans beat Victoria Athletic 5-3.

Crystal Fountain beat Heath Hayes Cons 6-0. Tom Lycett and Shaun Clifton both bagged doubles.

Bottom team Legion leap-frog Bloxwich Celtic with their first win by beating them 2-1.

A Scott Sjoerdsma penalty levelled the scores and then a 20 yard thunderbolt from Adam Walters won it.

Division Three leaders Bridge drew 1-1 with Chadsmoor Utd.

Mary Rose beat Cheslyn Hay 2-1 in their local derby to dent their promotion hopes. Timmy Reyner's 50 yard shot was the winner.

AFC Littleton's fight against relegation improved by beating Rugeley Rangers 4-1.

In Division Four, Lamb & Flag beat Midland Strollers 5-2.

Second placed Athletico Bridge close the gap on leaders White Hart to just a point in Division Five after beating Church Hill 3-0.

John Price started his first game for four years and at the young age of 50 scored.

Dynamo Bridge scored six second half goals to come from two down at half-time to beat Turf FC 6-2. Phil Bowater scored a hat-trick and Russ Holmes bagged two before being stretchered off to hospital with a dislocated kneecap.

Cannock & Rugeley climb to sixth by thrashing Wyrley Juniors 8-1. Alistair Fawcett scored five.

Fixtures for January 23:

Cannock Chase Cup Round Three: T.N.T. v Red White & Blue; Harrisons v White Hart.

Cannock Charity Cup Round Two: Bridge v Bar Sport; Athletico Bridge v St Mary's.

Cannock Charity Cup Round Three: AFC Winding Wheel v Crystal Fountain.

Bill Davies Cup Round Two: Lea Hall v Forest Rangers; Hednesford Ex v AFC Nest.

Premier League: Brereton Town v Pelsall Bush; Yates Sports v Alma 2001; The Winding Wheel v Thatch.

Division One: The Dog v Robin Hood; Cannock Ascot v Brereton Social Lion; Ridware Oak v Victoria; Blowers v AFC Heath Hayes.

Division Two: Colliers Arms v Legion; Chase Spartans v Heath Hayes Cons; Bloxwich Celtic v Royal Oak; Yew Tree Rovers v Victoria Ath.

Division Three: Brinsford v Broomhill Albion; The Littleton v Chadsmoor Utd; Rugeley Rangers v Mary Rose; AFC Littleton v Cheslyn Hay Ath.

Division Four: Prairie Farm v Bridgtown Social; White Lion v Castle; Frying Pan v Tackeroo; Louis Autos v Midland Strollers.

Division Five: AFC Globe v Wyrley Juniors; Turf v Hen House; Noah's Ark v FC Marina; Church Hill Vic v Cannock & Rugeley.

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Lichfield under-16s Boys, who defeated Cannock 2-0

Boys overcome rivals Cannock to make last 16

CRICKET NEWS

Indoor training gets under way

CANNOCK Cricket Club starts its indoor training on Monday, January 24 at the upper school sports hall at Cannock Chase High School upper sports hall.

The club, which is seeking new sponsors for the 2011 season, is invite juniors of all abilities.

Training for under-9s and under-11s (school years 2 to 6) is from 6-7.15pm, for unbder-15s and 16s (school years 10 and 11) from 7.15 to 8.30pm. Aessions will run weekly until Easter.

New senior players are welcome to train on Mondays at the same venue from 8.30 to 10pm.

For more information, contact Graham Machin on 07836 371 043.

Town salvage a point to keep their unbeaten run

HANDSWORTH UTD 0 CRESSWELL WANDERERS U12S 6 – PRESIDENTS TROPHY(LEAGUE CUP SEMI FINAL)

WANDERERS travelled to Handsworth for a tricky tie but started brightly and broke the deadlock with a scissor kick from Ryan Brookes.

Jack Dunn doubled the lead and it was 3-0 at half-time courtesy of Jack Dunn.

Ryan Brookes headed home before Ben Harris saved a penalty. That was followed by strikes from Nathan Griffiths and Man of the match Tom Brownlie to seal Wanderers' place against Tipton Youth in the final.

FOUR OAKS 4 CANNOCK TOWN U-14S 4

League leaders Cannock Town came from three down to rescue a point.

Centre-half Mikey Lycett scored a hat-trick and captain Niall Preece added one to preserve their unbeaten record.

Manager's Man of the Match went to Luke Gorman and the Parents' choice was Reid Elsmore.

HEDNESFORD TOWN U-11S 9 LANE HEAD RAIDERS 2

Hednesford started slowly after a seven week lay-off and Lane Head scored a deserved opener.

Town were starting to get into the game and Jamie Elkes equalised.

After the break Lane Head again took the lead before Town got into gear.

Taylor Owen scored four, with two from Jordan Dodd and one apiece from Mitch Candlin and Jack Weldon.

FC BLOXWICH BLUES 2 HEDNESFORD TOWN U-15S 8

Hednesford came away with a comfortable victory that puts them into Round Four of the Staffs Cup.

Bloxwich started well and took the lead but by half-time Hednesford led 6-1. Man of the Match Ben Green scored three, Jack Partridge and Connor Shingler two each and Sam Pugh one.

CHASETOWN COLTS 0 COLRON 4

Colron ran out deserved winners in this basement battle to leave Colts still struggling towards the bottom of the league. The Colts huffed and puffed in wet and windy conditions but couldn't break a resolute Colron defence.

On Saturday the Colts were ballboys for Walsall v Huddersfield and enjoyed a good game and a good day.

JUNIOR FOOTBALL

RUGELEY RANGERS U-13S 7 CHASETOWN SCHOLARS 1

Rangers were on top form with two goals from Jack Chatting and goals from Liam Webb, Tom Downes, Lewis Giles, Luca Grey and a penalty from top scorer Chris Alderson.

BURNTWOOD DRAGONS REDS U-11S 5 CHASE ATHLETIC JUNIOR BOYS 0

After tough games in the cup and shield, the Reds faced another tough game in the league.

The Reds took the lead through Bradley Price before Dylan Ottey saved a penalty.

The Reds raised the tempo in the second half with further goals from Richard Cotton, George Wardle (2) and Ellis Davies-Morton.

Man of the match awards went to Richard Cotton and Bradley Price.

BURNTWOOD DRAGONS REDS U-14S 2 PENKRIDGE JUNIORS 2

Starting the game with an injury hit squad against the division leaders, Burntwood had to raise their game.

After holding the opposition back for the majority of the first half Reds eventually conceded, but levelled through Liam Hughes.

A defensive mix-up let Penkridge in to score again, but Burntwood battled once more to get an equaliser through Billy Fisher. Tom Price was Man of the Match.

CHASE ATHLETIC U-9S 6 CHURCH FARM BLUES 0

Chase Athletic bossed the midfield and were 2-0 up at half time. The second half started badly for Blues as injury to two of their key players gave Chase the chance to capitalise and they eventually ran out comfortable winners.

Josh Poxon was Blues Man of the Match. Sam Rogers earned the Chase honours with four goals. Jack Bradley scored two.

CHURCH FARM WHITES U-9S 2 RUGELEY RANGERS 1

Church Farm attacked relentlessly in the first half and went in 2-0 up at the break thanks to goals from Callum Smith and Sam Gardner.

The second half saw Rugeley score from a breakaway goal and have a shot cleared off the line but Farm missed a penalty in the dying minutes. Church Farm

Man of the match was Zak Noble.

SHIRE OAK PANTHERS U-10S 0 WYRLEY TIGERS 0

This goalless draw was full of non-stop action as both teams tried to play attacking football in difficult conditions. In the first half Wyrley had the better chances. After the break they had to soak up a some pressure but were a threat on the break.

Tom Wheeldon won a penalty but Smith's effort just cleared the crossbar.

Man of the Match was Tom Peacock

WYRLEY TIGERS U-10S 1 SPORTING KHALSA 1

Tigers started well but Khalsa took the lead, but got back into the game when a Sam Foreman's half-cleareds corner fell to Elliot Crook to drill home.

WARNDON VILLAGE U-18S GIRLS 0 WYRLEY JUNIORS FC U-18S GIRLS 2

Against very plucky opponents, Wyrley produced another sparkling performance. Jemma Clews scored six, Sophie Shorrock and Laura Lindsay four, Laura Cumberledge three, Emily Quimby two and singles from Nia Jay, Saff Hicken and Beth Crook.

BILBROOK U-12S 1 CHASETOWN U-12S GIRLS 4

Chasetown adapted well to the windy conditions and produced a good team performance. Natalie Dixon opened the scoring, Player of the Match Summer Johnson scored either side of the half time and Molly Heele's fourth goal trundled across the line.

LICHFIELD DIAMONDS U-13S 4 HEDNESFORD UNITED GIRLS FC 0

United Girls fought well and never allowed their opposition to overwhelm them.

Diamonds were league leaders so this has to be the most fiercely fought game of the season.

Managers' Player went to Georgia Clarke.

Chasetown Scholars u-14s act as ballboys at Walsall v Huddersfield

Second half show confirms first win of season

CHASETOWN LADIES

COSELEY TOWN LADIES 2 CHASETOWN LADIES 4 – WEST MIDLANDS WOMEN'S REGIONAL LEAGUE (NORTH)

A BRILIANT second half performance saw Chasetown record their first league win of the season.

The first half was played against the wind and rain and Becky Troth pulled off some superb first half saves ro restrict Coseley to a 1-0 half-time lead.

A potential turning point occurred early in the second half when Coseley thought they had scored a second, only for the effort to be ruled offside.

A few minutes later Chasetown scored the equaliser. A pin point cross from Charlotte Bull gave Sinead Treanor the simplest of headed goals.

Within a few minutes Chasetown had raced out to a 3-1 lead with two goals from Jade Arber. Coseley were not finished yet, however and made the game tense with a second goal.

However, the midfield was being dominated by Carly Edwards and Player of the Match Jodie Kinsey whose long range shooting was causing Coseley problems and forcing the goalkeeper into some good saves.

The match was made safe when Treanor scored a spectacular goal from and acute angle, bringing her total to eight in nine matches so far.

LICHFIELD MENS 1ST XI 6 NORTH STAFFORD 0

AFTER losing the previous game, Lichfield 1st XI men's sides put the record straight with a fine win against North Staffs in a rearranged game.

Lichfield found themselves with a very strong side and soon took the lead as Martin Webb converted a penalty corner.

Following excellent work on the right wing, Webb scored again.

At this point Lichfield were dominating with long periods of the game in the North Staffs half.

Just before half time Neal Critchley found himself at the far post able to touch the ball into the unguarded net.

In the second half Lichfield continued to press although Lee Charles had to be on his toes to make the occasional excellent save.

Will Davies had a powerful run into the North Staffs area and his cross was met by Alistair Gardner with an unstoppable shot. Critchley scored his second.

Yet again Lichfield forced a penalty corner from which Critchley's rasping shot rebounded of the goal post for Will Rodgers to force home.

This excellent result puts the Lichfield side back in to the hunt for promotion to the National League.

LOUGHBOROUGH TOWN 2 LICHFIELD MENS 2NDS XI 0

Lichfield visited the league leaders on Saturday for a top-of-the-table clash. A Lichfield victory would have seen them edge past Loughborough into top spot, and with a game in hand.

However, Lichfield side blustered through a match against well drilled and organised opponents, who were assisted in their quest by some 'unusual' umpiring decisions.

The home side took advantage of a lucky bounce to break the deadlock

Lichfield battled on and had a few chances to equalise, although none was clear cut.

It was the home side who counter attacked quickly as the half drew to a close, and managed to score a second putting the brakes on the Lichfield momentum.

At half time Lichfield regrouped and had the best of the second half opportunities.

However, for the first time this season the side failed to score, and defeat was inevitable. Lichfield will look to bounce back this weekend against struggling Nottingham, but will have to ensure that they stick together and play as a team to recover the form that has served them so well previously this season. The third team beat Belper 4-1 thanks to goals from David Thrussell (2), Ifan Jackson and Alex Balla. David Eastland scored all five goals as the fourths won 5-1 at Barton. Scorers for the fifths in a 4-1 win over Burton were Alex Mackie, Toby Lomas, Sid and Harry Carpenter.

HOCKEY LATEST

BARFORD TIGERS 0 LICHFIELD MENS 7THS 0

For the second time in three seasons Barford Tigers Badgers found themselves in the embarrassing position of having not booked a pitch for this fixture with both teams at a pitch and nowhere to play.

Jeevan Garcha was on target as the Men's 8th team went down 3-1 to Cannock A.

LICHFIELD MENS 9TH XI 6 CANNOCK B 0

Playing on the new pitch at Chasetown Sports College, Lichfield managed a 6-0 scoreline with a hat-trick from Oliver Mason and one each from Chris Sullivan, Finlay Saunders and a wonder goal from Jamie Carter. Lichfield played well and were superbly captained by Josh Bowen.

LICHFIELD LADIES 4THS 4 CANNOCK 6THS 0

The Cannock 6ths were no match for an excellent Lichfield side who dominated from start to finish.

Lichfield were three goals to the good at the end of the first half thanks to Rachael Swailes, Angela Mason and Prue Nickson.

Despite relentless pressure in the second half only one more was added to the tally courtesy of Angela Mason.

Lichfield 4ths are now eight points clear at the top of Staffordshire League Division 4 ahead of the crunch match against second place Lichfield 5ths this Saturday.

LICHFIELD LADIES 5TH XI 0 UTTOXETER 3RDS 0

Lichfield Ladies 5th XI, riding high in Staffordshire Ladies Division 4 played Uttoxeter who were in third place. The resulting draw seemed a likely outcome with the city's sides goal coming from Lauren Foulds.

LICHFIELD UNDER 16 BOYS 2 CANNOCK 0

Lichfield Under 16 Boys played host to Cannock on Sunday in the third round of the England Hockey Cup.

The game was played at a very high level of skill with Lichfield coming out on top by two goals, scored by Ben Eastland and Josh Thatcher on the far post with a tap in goal.

This is the farthest that any Lichfield junior side has gone in the England Hockey Cup it looks likely that the team will play Belper or Beeston in the next round, the last 16.

LATEST results and tables from the Briggs Equipment Indoor Bowls League, January 16 2011:

Division 1:

S. Edwards & D Murray 17 K.Carter & C.Barker 21; M.Evans & L. Pritchatt 21 D&G Storer 14; M.Jones & C.Johnson 19 C.Marshman & B.Preece 21; D.Hayward & V. Gray 21 A&G Parsons 13;

Division Two:

F. Statham & A.Preece 18 L.Cavill & M.Bardsley 21; K.Handley & D. Chester 11 A.Tapper & J.Elliott 21; P.Evans & T.Allen 8 N&J Newey21; J.Hollis & S. Powis 20 L.Hulse & P. Cook 21;

Division Three:

C.Pugh & K.Coulthard 21 M&P Colbourne 12; B.Taylor & G.Garbett 18 N.Egan & I.Roles 21; M.Hodgkinson & P.Edwards 15 L.Simonczyk & I.Platz 21; S&A. Baird17 A.Allcock & C.Baird 21

BOWLS LATEST

Division One

	P	W	L	A	Pts
Carter & Barker	9	7	2	42	14
Storer & Storer	9	6	3	30	12
Evans & Pritchatt	9	5	4	17	10
Edwards & Murray	9	5	3	14	10
Hayward & Gray	9	4	5	4	8
Jones & Johnson	9	3	6	-27	6
Marshman & Preece	9	3	6	-28	6
Parsons & Parsons	9	3	6	-52	6

Division Two

	P	W	L	A	Pts
Newey & Newey	9	6	3	34	12
Tapper & Elliott	9	6	3	21	12
Cavill & Bardsley	9	6	3	16	12
Statham & Preece	9	5	4	-5	10
Handley & Chester	9	4	5	1	8
Hulse & Cook	9	4	5	-36	8
Evans & Allen	9	3	6	-14	6
Hollis & Powis	9	2	7	-17	4

Division Three

	P	W	L	A	Pts
Egan & Roles	9	8	1	49	16
Simonczyk & Platz	9	7	2	49	14
Pugh & Coulthard	9	6	3	22	12
Colbourne&Colbourne	9	5	4	12	10
Taylor & Garbett	9	4	5	-23	8
Hodgkinson&Edwards	9	3	6	-21	6
Allcock & Baird	9	2	7	-19	4
Baird & Baird	9	1	8	-69	2

Rugeley take step to safety

RUGELEY RUGBY CLUB

CLEE HILL 17 RUGELEY 19

RUGELEY took the long trip to Clee Hill on Saturday (January 15). with a lot of sudden injuries and unavailability.

As a result, Rugeley were able to hand debuts to 17-year-olds Mitchell Everall and James Simmons in the crucial positions of number 8 and stand off.

Rugeley began the day going down the huge slope in to a gale force wind. In the first half Rugeley dominated possession but were unable to score and every time Rugeley lost the ball they found themselves in their own 22 again.

Clee Hill were very direct and Rugeley did well to only keep it to 17-0 at half time.

In the second half Rugeley started to play rugby and came back to snatch the game 19-17.

James Simmons constantly pinned Clee Hill back in to their own half with an almost perfect kicking game and after the full back missed the first kick, Simmons put it straight back to him and this time he fumbled allowing Howard to get the ball to offload Jacob Graham. He went around the outside of his man giving him a very large hand off in the process for a brilliant well worked try.

Rugeley then repeatedly forced Clee Hill back in to their own half and forced errors and penalties from their opponents. Up stepped the boot of Grocott and everything that went near just sailed over the posts. Rugeley were then 19-17 ahead and greeted by the final whistle shortly after.

Man of the Match was James Simmonds.

The game as a whole had a few outstanding performances but as a team Rugeley played very well. All in all, this was a brilliant performance and a big step towards safety.

However, Rugeley still face a massive game against St Leonards in two weeks' time.

Rugeley's second string enjoyed a merit league victory against Wednesbury 19-7 and Rugeley 3rds lost out in a close game with Uttoxeter 13-7.

Young George lands a beauty

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WHAT a difference a week makes! It has almost felt tropical out there compared to December and fishermen have certainly been getting out and about on the waterways.

At Seighford Lakes, the trout fishing has been superb with some fish coming out well into double figures. Bill Bilsbrough from Cannock took 11 fish over the two lakes, using a floating line and small blood worms and damsels.

Another two anglers who had a great day were father and son Sean and George Hallows. Sean caught the most but not to be outdone, 11-year-old George landed the biggest – a lovely rainbow trout which weighed 10lb 12oz. The pair fished on the railway pool with floating lines and damsels.

On the coarse pool the lakes are now free of ice and good fishing has followed, with bags of up to 30lb being caught in just a few hours. Chris Smith landed five carp for 25lb on peg 21 using his pole out at 10 metres.

Any club interested in booking the fishery should call Phil Dixon on 01785 282967 for more information on vacant dates .

Pike sport has started and we have reports of several decent size fish coming from various venues including the River Trent and the local canal network, slow fished lures or static deadbaits being the best method.

We are taking bookings for the next fly casting course on February 12 . To book a time slot and find out more please contact us at Archline Angling on 01922 411205, or call into the store or email fish@archlineangling.co.uk

VERNON LEADBETTER

Fixture idea borne out of latest supporters' meeting

ANOTHER hugely encouraging meeting took place for Hednesford Town Supporters Association last Thursday night (January 13) at Keys Park with more than 35 members attending.

Guest speaker Jonathan Martin, a non-league business expert and an instrumental figure in the formation of AFC Telford United, entertained members with a candid and informative presentation on how his club was able to engage their local community with such vigour and eventual success when faced with total extinction several years ago.

The main point made by Mr Martin was that the HTFCSA should find its own identity and take small steps towards an eventual goal of becoming a vital aspect of the local community.

Following Mr Martin's presentation, Supporters Association Press Officer, Chris Brewerton, detailed a fixture distribution plan which, if successful, will see monthly fixture lists distributed throughout a range of venues in the Hednesford and Cannock area.

The aim of this venture is to advertise home games in a high visibility way and lay the foundations for discussions to take place with local businesses to lend their important support to their local club. As part of the distribution campaign any venue displaying the Hednesford Town fixtures will get a mention in the match programme throughout that calendar month.

Any supporter interested in distributing fixtures in their area is encouraged to e-mail Chris at **chrisbrewerton@hotmail.co.uk**

Full minutes of the meeting will be published in due course.

Visitors spring a surprise

HEDNESFORD TOWN 0 BEDWORTH UNITED 1 – BIRMINGHAM SENIOR CUP SECOND ROUND

BEDWORTH inflicted a surprise defeat on with Alex Dean scoring the decisive goal with a well-taken midway through the first half.

The game had an 'after the Lord Mayor's show' feel about it following Hednesford's superb win against table-topping Truro on Saturday but despite resting three key players Rob Smith's side failed to step up and battle alongside a determined Bedworth team.

Liam Francis miscued from seven yards out and Kyle Patterson had a shot cleared from danger after beating the goalkeeper to a through ball.

However it was Dean who broke the deadlock on 23 minutes when his smart turn and strongly hit shot from the edge of the area beat Dan Crane despite the keeper getting a strong hand to the ball.

The Zamaretto League Division One Central outfit played with a real verve and confidence following the goal and played some football which was very pleasing on the eye.

The Pitmen struggled to contain the away team but should have equalised on 44 when a header on from Francis found Aaron Gibson free at the back post only for the left-wingback to side foot wide of the upright when it was easier to score.

The second period was a much more reserved affair as Bedworth defended like lions to preserve their lead but, had James Martin not made an inspired save from Danny Quinn in the final minute of stoppage time, the Pitmen would have undeservedly forced extra time.

The Pitmen face Banbury at home on Saturday (January 22). Kick off is at 3pm. A week later Rob Smith's men then make the trip to Chippenham.

Mighty Quinn is matchwinner for Pitmen

Boss joins glowing plaudits for hitman

Goalscoring hero Danny Quinn in aerial action

HEDNESFORD TOWN 1 TRURO CITY 0

HEDNESFORD Town manager Rob Smith joined the chorus of praise for star striker Danny Quinn as the in-form Hednesford man scored another fantastic goal to secure three vital points against the league leaders.

With tongue firmly in cheek, Smith hailed: "Quinn really is something special and the goal was superb. He works so hard for the team as well. If he keeps playing like he has done today I think we might have to sell him!"

With 70 minutes on the clock the former Heather St Johns striker controlled a deep Darren Campion cross from the left and hit a superb scissor kick which beat Martin Rice all ends up and flew into the far corner.

The quality of the goal was unquestionable but the build up to the move caused consternation in the Truro ranks as the referee Mr Strain played advantage following what looked like a foul by Hednesford on a Truro player in midfield. Both Barry McConnell and Andrew Taylor were shown yellow cards for dissent in the aftermath of the goal.

Rob Smith admitted that the Pitmen may have ridden their luck with the referee's decision but believed his side caused more of an attacking threat throughout the 90 minutes.

"The ref seemed to change his mind but we felt we deserved more luck from Salisbury last week and in the second half we upped our game and deserved the win," said Smith.

Nick Wellecomme, recently signed from arch-rivals Stafford Rangers, continued his impressive start in a Hednesford shirt as he combined well with Quinn on 10 minutes but could only shoot past the far post.

Truro fought back and, but for a superb low block by Dan Crane on 17 minutes, could have opened the scoring following intricate build up play between Stewart Yetton and Andrew Watkins.

It was the second half when the Pitmen seemed to turn the screw on the league leaders as an angled cross by the diminutive Chris Clements found Quinn and his flick header bounced inches the wrong side of the post with Rice fumbling on the floor.

Truro hit back almost immediately and the Pitmen had the brave defending of Decio Gomes and Cheyenne Dunkley to thank following a desperate scramble on their six yard line.

Wellecomme unleashed a stinging volley on 58 minutes which was parried by Rice and then had a goal disallowed for offside three minutes later following Ben Bailey's miscued volley.

The Pitmen continued to push for the winner and, despite the debatable build up, Quinn finished superbly to bag his eighth goal in 11 matches and send the Keys Park faithful wild.

The away side responded to the goal with a concerted period of desperate pressure as the seconds ebbed away but Liam Francis, Gomes and Dunkley held firm and restricted the away side to a few half chances to send the hardy Truro souls back to Cornwall deflated and pointless.

HEDNESFORD TOWN

Hayes earn point at big-spending Town

STRATFORD TOWN 1 HEATH HAYES 1 – MIDLAND ALLIANCE

HEATH HAYES FC

HAYES battled well to come away with a point from big spending Stratford and will feel disappointed not to have taken all three with their opponents reduced to 10 men for the last half hour.

The heavy pitch survived a late inspection and with a strong wind blowing down the ground it was always going to be a game of two contrasting halves.

Town opened strongly and with the advantage of the wind soon had the visitors on the rack. It was no surprise when Chris Murphy fired them into an eighth minute lead.

Hayes gradually got to grips with the conditions and began to look dangerous on the break. Chris Deakin was only inches off target after a piece of superb skill,.

However it was always Town who looked the more likely to score and Danny Carter, Stuart Herlihy and Murphy all had efforts brilliantly saved by Adam Jenkins, making his debut in the Heath Hayes goal.

The second half was a complete reversal of the first with the pacy visiting forwards causing the home defence all sorts of problems. Andy Gregory was lucky to get away with just a yellow card hauling back Ben Haseley when he was through on goal.

After a period of sustained pressure Hayes got the goal they deserved on the hour. Again Haseley's pace took him clear only to be brought down by keeper Tom Farmer, and this time the red card was shown.

Town withdrew Carter and former Nuneaton Borough keeper Richard Austis took over between the sticks.

His first job was to pick Chris Deakin's well placed penalty out of the net but from then on he was equal to whatever the visitors through at him.

Dave Waple, Deakin and Ben Massey all came close to giving the visitors the lead but it still needed another Jenkins save to prevent Town from scoring in injury time.

Mikes have too much guile

BOLDMERE ST MICHAELS 3 HEATH HAYES 1 – POLYMAC SERVICES CUP RD 2

HEATH Hayes were well beaten by an in-form Mikes side who had to much guile and knowhow.

Hayes' strikers had an off day and lacked the self belief that had been their strong point earlier in the season.

Mikes took a 12th minute lead in rather controversial circumstances. Tom Law's corner, which was cleared by the Hayes defence, was ordered to be retaken because the ball moved from the spot and this time the kick fell fortunately at the feet of Mathew Hawker who fired home from 10 yards. Although the home side dominated the play the visitors had a couple of good efforts. Chris Deakin came close with a header that skimmed the bar and Ben Haseley brought an excellent save from Sean Butler.

The second half opened with Hayes forcing the pace and Dave Waple had an effort rebound off the crossbar.

After another promising attack Hayes lost the ball unnecessarily and a clever clearance from Stuart Capaldi caught the visitors' defence all at sea and Hawker got his and his team's second.

On the hour the game was over when a cross from Leon Weller was headed into his own goal by Andrew Tuck.

Hayes battled to the end and Karl Wallis reduced the arrears with a well taken goal but it was too little too late.

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SCHOLARS MAKE IT GRIM FOR MARINERS

Gary Birch gets above Scott Garner

Chris Peel brushes Tom Corner aside

Mark Hudson challenges Richard Davies

CHASETOWN 2 GRIMSBY TOWN 1, FA CARLSBERG TROPHY 2ND ROUND

CHASETOWN FC

GIANT-KILLING Chasetown are back on the cup trail again after providing the shock of the round in the FA Carlsberg Trophy.

The Scholars, the lowest ranked side to reach the third round of the FA Cup, defeated former league side Grimsby Town in the second round of the trophy on Saturday (January 15), to reach the last 16 and a visit to Eastleigh in Hampshire.

The Mariners has boasted more than 100 years of league pedigree before relegation to the Blue Square Premier last season. They had failed to score in two previous games after notching 13 in the two before those. However, the visitors struggled on a heavy pitch against a lively and committed Scholars side and the hosts were able to overcome another missed penalty by scoring two rapid-fire second half goals.

The ground staff had worked hard during the morning following overnight rain, and a reasonable playing surface was presented for what looked a very competitive tie on paper.

In front of a crowd of 1,012, both sides started brightly with Gary Hay bursting forward in the first minute as Chasetown took the game to their more experienced opponents. Chris Peel looked impressive in defence as the Scholars back line battled to shut out the visitors.

On 23 minutes the crowd erupted as Chasetown found the back of the net from close range, but the whistle had gone for a foul and the goal was disallowed. This reflected the superb early effort put in by the Evo-Stik League men and a cracking cup tie was in prospect as the atmosphere heightened. Danny Smith sent a high cross-cum-shot over the bar on 29 minutes before Mariners keeper Kenny Arthur produced a fine save to deny Smith, and Hay's follow-up header was cleared.

The hosts gave the Mariners another scare in the 38th minute when Gary Birch's header was pushed onto the bar by Arthur with the alert keeper then saving Smith's follow-up effort.

Grimsby found their first clean-cut chance when Michael Coulson saw his 25-yard shot tipped over by Ryan Price, and the midfielder then bounced a low shot off the post and out for a corner which was cleared to end an action-packed first half.

There was no let-up as the second half began with Hay and Smith again charging forward and shaking off the pressure from a rejuvenated Grimsby. Jimmy Turner blocked a follow-up shot from a free kick before Smith was upended in the box and Chasetown were awarded a penalty. Dave Egan stepped up but the Scholars' spot-kick jinx struck again as Arthur palmed the ball away.

Seconds later the miss was forgotten as Birch popped up in the area to turn and flick the ball past Arthur and the Scholars took the lead to wild celebrations on the pitch and on the terraces.

Three minutes later the roof was lifted from the Scholars Ground as Richard Davies latched onto a loose ball after Smith was dispossessed and coolly took the ball around the flailing Arthur to double the Scholars' lead.

The Mariners went close following a goalmouth scramble just past the hour but Egan was able to clear, while Alan Connell went close in the 70th minute but Price produced a fine save and did likewise two minutes later to block substitute Lee Peacock.

The frustration had begun to show among the visiting defence with several niggling challenges. Smith fired Peel's free kick just wide of the post for the Scholars in the 76th minute before charging up the other end to divert a well-placed cross out for a corner.

Lee Ridley denied Scholars substitute Dean Perrow at the point of shooting, but suddenly in the 79th minute Grimsby pulled one back when leading scorer Alan Connell found space on the right and headed across Price into the corner of the net for his 17th goal of the season.

In the closing minutes Peacock fired in from the right but Price again provided a safe pair of hands.

Grimsby threw everything they had in added time and seemed certain to score in the dying seconds, but somehow the ball bounced back off the post and was cleared.

The Scholars clung on and there were delirious scenes at the final whistle as they claimed their second Blue Square Premier scalp of the season.

Euphoria among the fans and players as Chasetown go two goals up against Grimsby Town

The super Scholars celebrate after their giant-killing victory

Ramone goal the highlight

CHASETOWN 2 MATLOCK TOWN 1,

CHASETOWN continued their recent good form with a 2-1 defeat of high-flying Matlock Town on Tuesday.

Many feared an 'After the Lord Mayor's Show' scenario following Saturday's Trophy heroics but that never materialised and a terrific goal from Man of the Match Ramone Stephens proved the highlight.

Chasetown had the first chance when Ben Jevons headed wide but the flag was up for offside, while the Gladiators' first attempt came when captain James Lukic put Gareth Davies's corner wide.

The Scholars took the lead when Stephens unleashed a good turn of speed down the right and his cross was stroked home by Gary Birch for his third goal in as many games.

The lead lasted only three minutes before the prolific Ross Hannah drove home a stinging left-foot shot past Ryan Price for his 31st of the season.

Moments later Hanna outpaced Mark Branch and crossed to Lee Morris but he could not quite provide the finishing touch. Matlock keeper Adam Sollitt then produced a fine save to tip Birch's left-footed shot over the bar.

On 32 minutes Stephens restored the lead in spectacular fashion. Receiving the ball out on the right, "Bones" sent in a looping left-footed strike from 30 yards that evaded Sollitt and dropped perfectly into the net.

Jevons headed Birch's cross into Sollitt's hands after the interval, while a Mark Branch corner was pushed onto the bar in the 63rd minute.

Jimmy Turner blocked a Ben Algar shot in the 69th minute before Dene Cropper was introduced and had the best chance for the Gladiators.

Chasetown take on local rivals Rushall Olympic in the Birmingham Senior Cup on Thursday, kick off at 7.45pm, before travelling to Whitby Town in the Evo-Stik Premier on Saturday. Kick off is at 3pm.

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